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1. Petition for Act respecting, 36. Reported, 63. Bill (No. 55), introduced and referred, 88. Reported, 120. Second reading, 133. House goes into Committee on, 147. Third reading, 151. R. A., 278. (2 Ed. VII. c. 54.)

2. Petition for Act to authorize City to establish a Free Library; to accept offer of Andrew Carnegie and to confirm By-law No. 1251, 36. Reported, 63. Bill (No. 56), introduced and referred, 82. Reported, 120. Second reading, 133. House goes into Committee on, 147. Third reading, 180. R. A., 278. (2 Ed. VII. c. 55.)

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OTTAWA PRESBYTERIAN LADIES' COLLEGE:

Petition for Act respecting, 10. Reported, 53. Bill (No. 20), introduced and referred, 55. Reported; fees remitted, 77. Second reading, 84. House goes into Committee on, 95. Third reading, 138. R. A., 278. (2 Ed. VII. c. 109.)

PACIFIC AND ATLANTIC RAILWAY CO'Y:

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PEMBROKE SOUTHERN RAILWAY CO'Y:

1. Petition for Act respecting, 11. Reported, 15. Bill (No. 16), introduced and referred, 33. Reported, 54. Second reading, 71. House goes into Committee on, 95. Third reading, 163. R. A., 278. (2 Ed. VII, c. 90.)
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PETROLEA RAPID RAILWAY CO'Y:

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2. Petition for Act relating to ratification of By-law No 185, 152. Reported, 194. Bill (No. 196), introduced and referred, 195. Reported, 207. Second reading, 223. House goes into Committee on, 240. Third reading, 248. R. A., 278. (2 Ed. VII, c. 61.)

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SARNIA STREET RAILWAY CO'Y:

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OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

OF THE

PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

Wednesday, 8th January, 1902.

PROCLAMATION.

Canada,
Province of
Ontario. }

OLIVER MOWAT.

EDWARD VIITH, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, KING, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.

To Our Faithful, the Members elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our Province of Ontario and to every of you—GREETING.

JOHN MORISON GIBSON, }
Attorney General } **W**HEREAS it is expedient for certain causes and considerations to convene the Legislative Assembly of Our said Province, WE DO WILL that you and each of you, and all others in this behalf interested, on WEDNESDAY, the EIGHTH day of the Month of January now next, at OUR CITY OF TORONTO, personally be and appear for the DESPATCH OF BUSINESS, to treat, act, do and conclude upon those things which, in Our Legislature of the Province of Ontario by the Common Council of Our said Province, may by the favour of God be ordained. **HEREIN FAIL N OT.**

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, we have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Our Province of Ontario to be hereunto affixed: WITNESS, The Honourable Sir OLIVER MOWAT, Knight, Grand Cross of Our Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, Member of Our Privy Council for Canada, and LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR of Our Province of Ontario, at Our Government House, in the City of Toronto, in Our said Province, this FIFTH day of DECEMBER, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and one, and in the First year of Our Reign.

By Command,

CHARLES CLARKE,

Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

Wednesday, the Eighth day of January, 1902, being the First day of the Fifth Session of the Ninth Legislature of the Province of Ontario for the Despatch of Business, pursuant to a Proclamation of His Honour the Honourable Sir OLIVER MOWAT, G.C.M.G., Lieutenant-Governor of the Province.

PRAYERS.

3 o'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Speaker informed the House, That he had received notifications of vacancies which had occurred since the last Session of the House, and had issued his Warrants to the Clerk for new Writs for Election of a Member to serve in the present Legislature for the following Electoral Districts:—

The City of London, and

The East Riding of Kent.

LONDON, April 19th, 1901.

TO THE HONOURABLE SPEAKER OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF ONTARIO.

Sir:—

I hereby declare my intention of resigning my seat in the Legislative Assembly of Ontario for the Electoral District of London, and I do hereby resign the same.

And I make this declaration and resignation under my hand and seal.

Signed and sealed in our presence, at the City of London, the day and year above written.

F. B. LEYS. [L.S.]

W. H. BIRRELL,
of London.

G. LEAKE,
of London.

TO THE HONOURABLE FRANCIS EUGENE ALFRED EVANTUREL,
Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario.

We, the undersigned, George William Ross, Member of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario for the Electoral Division of West Middlesex, Esquire, and James R. Stratton, Member of the said Legislative Assembly for the Electoral Division of West Peterboro, Esquire, hereby notify you that a vacancy has occurred in the representation in the said Assembly for the Electoral Division of the East Riding of the County of Kent, by reason of the death of Robert Ferguson, Esquire, heretofore the Member for such Electoral Division; and we the said George William Ross and James R. Stratton, Members of the Assembly aforesaid, hereby require you to issue a new Writ for the election of a Member of said Assembly to fill such vacancy.

In witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands and seals, this Twenty-third day of October, A.D., 1901.

Signed and sealed in the presence of
 L. V. PERCIVAL.
 C. J. JEFFREY.

}

J. R. STRATTON.
 GEO. W. ROSS,

[L.S.]
 [L.S.]

Mr. Speaker also informed the House, That the Clerk had laid upon the Table, the following Certificates:—

PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that in virtue of a Writ of Election, dated the twenty-first day of June, 1901, issued by His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, and addressed to D. M. Cameron, Esquire, Returning Officer for the Electoral District of the City of London, for the election of a Member to represent the said Electoral District of the City of London, in the Legislative Assembly of this Province, in the room of Francis Baxter Leys, Esquire, who had resigned, Francis Baxter Leys, Esquire, has been returned as elected accordingly, as appears by the Return to the said Writ of Election, dated the thirteenth day of July, 1901, which is now lodged of record in my office.

Toronto, January 8th, 1902.

CHARLES CLARKE,

Clerk L. A.

PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that in virtue of a Writ of Election, dated the twenty-third day of October, 1901, issued by His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, and addressed to J. R. Gemmill, Esquire, Returning Officer for the Electoral District of the East Riding of the County of Kent, for the election of a Member to represent the said Electoral District of the East Riding of the County of Kent in the Legislative Assembly of this Province, in the room of Robert Ferguson, who had died, John Lee, Esquire, has been returned accordingly, as appears by the Return to the said Writ of Election, dated fifth day of November, 1901, which is now lodged of record in my office.

Toronto, January 8th, 1902.

CHARLES CLARKE,

Clerk L. A.

Mr. Speaker then informed the House, that he had received a notification of a vacancy which had occurred since the last Session of the House for the following Electoral District :—

The City of Kingston.

Kingston, Ont., January 2nd, 1902.

THE HONOURABLE A. F. E. EVANTUREL,

Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario,

Alfred, County of Prescott, Ontario.

Sir,—

I hereby declare my intention of resigning my seat in the Legislative Assembly of Ontario, for the Electoral District of Kingston, and I do hereby resign the same.

And I make this declaration and resignation, under my hand and seal, and in the presence of the undersigned witnesses.

Signed and Sealed in our presence in the City of Kingston, County of Fontenac, the day and year above written

C. BERMINGHAM, of Kingston, }
R. J. CARSON, of Kingston. }

WM. HARTY,

[L. S.]

Mr. Speaker also informed the House, That in consequence of a Report which he had received from the Judges selected for the trial of Election Petitions, on the fourteenth day of March last, relating to an Election in the West Riding of Huron, he had issued his Warrant to the Clerk for a new Writ for the election of a Member to serve in the present Legislature for the said Electoral District of West Huron, and that the Clerk had laid upon the Table the following Certificate :—

PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that in virtue of a Writ of Election, dated the twelfth day of November, 1901, issued by His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, and addressed to R. G. Reynolds, Esquire, Returning Officer for the Electoral District for the West Riding of Huron, for the election of a Member to represent the said Electoral District of the West Riding of Huron in the Legislative Assembly of this Province, in the room of the Honourable James T. Garrow, whose election had been declared void, the Honourable James T. Garrow has been returned as duly elected, as appears by the Return to the said Writ of Election, dated the sixteenth of December, 1901, which is now lodged of record in my office.

CHARLES CLARKE,

Clerk L. A.

Toronto, January 7th, 1902.

The Honourable James Thompson Garrow, Member for the West Riding of Huron ; Francis Baxter Leys, Esquire, Member for the City of London, and John Lee, Esquire, Member for the East Riding of Kent, having taken the Oaths and signed the Roll, took their Seats.

The House was then adjourned during pleasure.

And after some time the House was resumed.

His Honour the Honourable Sir Oliver Mowat, G.C.M.G., Lieutenant-Governor, then entered the House, and being seated in the Chair on the Throne, was pleased to open the Session by the following gracious Speech to the House :—

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly :

I take great pleasure in again meeting you as representatives of the Province in Parliament assembled.

Since the last meeting of the Legislature we have been honoured by a visit from Their Royal Highnesses, the Duke and Duchess of Cornwall and York. I was greatly pleased to notice the hearty reception given to Their Royal Highnesses, in every part of Ontario, which the limited time at their disposal permitted them to visit. The gracious manner in which they received the expressions of loyalty which their presence evoked and the interest they manifested in every matter pertaining to the prosperity of the Province will, I trust, strengthen our attachment to the Empire which they so worthily represented, and in which we, as a Province, are so deeply interested.

I congratulate you on the continued prosperity of the lumbering industry which gives employment to so many of our people, and from which such a large part of our revenue is derived.

The permanent Crown Forest reserves amounting to over a million and a half acres, have been carefully protected during the past season and no loss of any consequence from fires or other causes has occurred. Steps are being taken to further increase these reserves in order, if possible, to establish a perpetual source of income from the forests of the Province.

The mining industry of Ontario is making steady and satisfactory progress. More capital and labor are now being employed in mining operations than at any previous time, and the output of the chief mineral products of the Province is rapidly and steadily increasing in both quantity and value.

The work of settling the agricultural lands of the Crown has been successfully prosecuted during the year. Extensive areas have been disposed of to actual settlers, most of whom are from southern Ontario. It is satisfactory to know that those who leave the older settlements of the Province to obtain homesteads or employment in newer fields now realize that they can find unexcelled opportunities within our own boundaries.

The adequate care and maintenance of the insane of our population still engages the attention of my Government. Additional accommodation for 150 patients has been furnished by the completion of the new asylum buildings at Cobourg. This will relieve for the time being existing congestion in the Asylums of the Province, but I fear you will be again called upon, at no distant period, to consider the advisability of making further provision for the accommodation of the increasing number of this afflicted class.

I am glad to learn that very satisfactory progress has been made in the promotion of technical education and that in several of our towns and cities special buildings and suitable equipment for the purpose have been generously provided, and also that the system of Travelling Libraries for the newer parts of the Province, for which provision was made a year ago, has met with general approval.

The compilation of the Imperial Statutes in force in the Province of Ontario under the provisions of Chapter III., R.S.O., has been completed and embodied in what will constitute Volume III. of the Revised Statutes. This compilation, with necessary legislation, will be submitted for your consideration, and I have no doubt will be regarded with great favor by the legal profession and the public.

The year just closed has been one of very gratifying prosperity to the agricultural classes. The growth of the dairy interests of the Province is especially noteworthy, and the marked success of the exhibitors of the Province at the Pan-American Exhibition evinces the intelligence with which agricultural operations of every kind are carried on within the Province.

The improvements made at the Agricultural College by the erection of a Physical and Biological Laboratory, and the early completion of the Massey Library and Museum, will add greatly to the efficiency of the College, and will place it among the first Agricultural Colleges in America.

I am pleased to learn that the legislation of last Session for the encouragement of the beet sugar industry is likely to produce the results desired. The experiments conducted by the Department of Agriculture conclusively show that the Province is most favorably adapted to the growing of sugar beets, and several companies are now preparing to undertake the work of sugar production.

The amendments to the Factories Act, requiring the owners of factory buildings to provide suitable fire escapes, have greatly increased the safety of the operatives and others connected with the mechanical industries of the Province.

It is gratifying to be able to state that the fishing industry has during the year been unusually prosperous. The work inaugurated last year of re-stocking the inland lakes and rivers will be continued during the approaching season.

Measures will be submitted concerning the sale of intoxicating liquors; the construction of a railway from North Bay to Lake Temiscamingue; increased representation for the Northern Districts of the Province; the Assessment Laws; the Fisheries, and Extra-Provincial corporations.

The report of the Royal Commission appointed to revise the Assessment Laws of the Province and the Reports of the several Departments of the Public Service will be laid before you in due course.

The Estimates for the current year, prepared with as great regard to economy as is consistent with efficient service and the growing wants of the Province, will be submitted for consideration at an early date.

His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor was then pleased to retire.

Mr. Speaker reported, That, to prevent mistakes, he had obtained a copy of His Honour's Speech, which he read.

On motion of Mr. Ross, seconded by Mr. Gibson, a Bill was introduced intituled "An Act to provide for the Administration of Oaths of Office to persons appointed as Justices of the Peace," and the same was read the first time.

On motion of Mr. Ross, seconded by Mr. Gibson,

Ordered, That the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, to this House, be taken into consideration To-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Ross, seconded by Mr. Gibson,

Resolved, That Select Standing Committees of this House, for the present Session be appointed for the following purposes:—1. On Privileges and Elections; 2. On Railways; 3. On Miscellaneous Private Bills; 4. On Standing Orders; 5. On Public Accounts; 6. On Printing; 7. On Municipal Law; 8. On Legal Bills; 9. On Agriculture and Colonization; which said Committees shall severally be empowered to examine and inquire into all such matters and things as shall be referred to them by the House, and to report from time to time their observations and opinions thereon, with power to send for persons, papers and records.

Mr. Speaker communicated to the House :—

Report of the Librarian on the state of the Library. (*Sessional Papers No. 47.*)

The House then adjourned at 3.40 p.m.

Thursday, 9th January, 1902.

PRAYERS.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Speaker informed the House, That the Clerk had laid upon the Table :—

A Return from the Records of the several elections to the Legislative Assembly in the Electoral Districts of South Perth, North Waterloo, London, East Kent and West Huron, since the General Election of March 1st, 1898, shewing :—(1) The number of Votes polled for each Candidate in the Electoral District in which there was a contest. (2) The majority whereby each successful Candidate was returned. (3) The total number of Votes polled in each District. (4) The number of names on the Voters' Lists in each District. (6) The population of each District as shewn by the last Census. (*Sessional Papers No. 46.*)

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Stratton, the Petition of the Town Council of Peterborough.

By Mr. Latchford, the Petition of the Honourable Sir Richard Cartwright, and others of Ottawa.

By Mr. Garrow, the Petition of the Town Council of Goderich.

By Mr. Whitney, the Petition of the South Mountain Methodist Church.

By Mr. Bridgland, the Petition of the Gravenhurst Methodist Church.

By Mr. Lee, the Petition of the Town Council of Dresden.

By Mr. Boyd, the Petition of the Kemble Methodist Church.

By Mr. Taylor, the Petition of the Parkhill Methodist Church.

By Mr. Lumsden, the Petition of the Presbyterian Ladies' College of Ottawa.

By Mr. Preston, the Petition of the Brantford Young Women's Christian Association ; also, the Petition of the Brant Avenue Methodist Church of Brantford ; also, the Petition of Charles Cockshutt and others of Toronto.

By Mr. Leys the Petition of the Askin Street Methodist Church of London.

By Mr. Duff, the Petition of the Town Council of Collingwood.

By Mr. Pardee, the Petition of the Village Council of Point Edward ; also, the Petition of the Town Council of Sarnia ; also, the Petition of the Cleveland Sarnia Saw Mills Company, Limited ; also the Petition of Edmund Hall of Sarnia.

By Mr. Pattullo, the Petition of the Woodstock, Thames Valley and Ingersoll Electric Railway Company ; also, the Petition of Mary V. Dunlop and others of Woodstock.

By Mr. Pyne, the Petition of Robert M. Thompson and others of Bayonne City in the State of New Jersey, U. S. A.

By Mr. Carscallen, the Petition of the Synod of the Diocese of Niagara.

By Mr. Marter, the Petition of Grace Hospital, Homœopathic.

By Mr. Wardell, two Petitions of Henry T. Thurber and others of Detroit, U. S. A.

By Mr. Munro, the Petition of the Pembroke Southern Railway Company.

By Mr. Bowman, the Petition of the Village Council of Paisley.

By Mr. Miscampbell, the Petition of the Town Council of Orillia.

By Mr. Crawford, the Petition of the Westmoreland Avenue Methodist Church, Toronto.

Mr. Gross moved, seconded by Mr. Mutrie,

That an humble Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario, as follows :—

To the Honourable Sir Oliver Mowat, G. C. M. G., Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Ontario :

We, Her Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario, now assembled, beg leave to thank Your Honour for the gracious speech, which Your Honour has addressed to us.

And the Motion, having been put, was carried, and it was

Ordered, That the Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor by such members of the House, as are members of His Honour's Honourable Council.

On motion of Mr. Ross, seconded by Mr. Gibson,

Resolved, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.

Resolved, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into the Committee of Ways and Means

On motion of Mr. Ross, seconded by Mr. Gibson,

Resolved, That when this House adjourns, To-day, it do stand adjourned until three of the clock in the afternoon of Monday next.

On motion of Mr. Ross, seconded by Mr. Gibson,

Resolved, That a Special Committee of Twelve members be appointed to prepare and report with all convenient speed, lists of Members to compose the Select Standing Committee ordered by this House, to be composed as follows :—The Attorney-General and Messieurs Davis, Stratton, Carpenter, Charlton, Foy, McKay, McKee, Marter, Matheson, Wardell and Whitney.

Mr. Stratton presented to the House, by command of His Honor the Lieutenant Governor :—

Report of University of Toronto, being Auditors Report to Board of Trustees on Capital and Income Accounts for the year ending 30th June, 1901. (*Sessional Papers No. 13*).

Also—Report of the Secretary and Registrar of the Province, for the year 1901. (*Sessional Papers No. 37*.)

Also—Report of the Inspector of Liquor Licenses, for the year 1901. (*Sessional Papers No. 44*.)

Also—Report of the Provincial Municipal Auditor for the year 1901. (*Sessional Papers No. 45*.)

Also—Compilation of the Imperial Statutes in force in the Province of Ontario, under the provisions of Chapter III R. S. O., 1897. (*Sessional Papers No. 49*.)

The House then adjourned at 6 p. m.

Monday, 13th January, 1902.

PRAYERS.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Dryden, the Petition of the Thorndale Circuit Methodist Church.

By Mr. Gibson, the Petition of the Mount Forest Methodist Church.

By Mr. Whitney, the Petition of the Morrisburg Methodist Church.

By Mr. Little, the Petition of the Innisfil Circuit Methodist Church.

By Mr. Hoyle, the Petition of the Goodwood Methodist Church ; also the Petition of the Sunderland Methodist Church.

By Mr. Matheson, the Petition of the Smith's Falls Methodist Church.

By Mr. Jessop, the Petition of the Grimsby Circuit Methodist Church.

By Mr. Loughrin, the Petition of Louis Gagné and others of Balfour.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Brantford Young Women's Christian Association, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate them.

Of the Cleveland-Sarnia Saw Mills Company, Limited, praying that an Act may pass enabling the Town of Sarnia to pass a By-law fixing assessment of Company.

Of the Town Council of Collingwood, and the Collingwood Ship building Company, Limited, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm a certain agreement, and to confirm a previous agreement.

Of the Town Council of Dresden, praying that an Act may pass to legalize and confirm By-law No. 277, granting a bonus to the Dresden Sugar Company, Limited.

Of Mary V. Dunlop and others of Woodstock, praying that an Act may pass to declare that the writing signed by John Dunlop, on 6th April, 1901, shall be admitted to Probate by Surrogate Court of the County of Oxford, as the last Will and Testament of said John Dunlop.

Of the Town Council of Goderich, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm a By-law granting aid to establish a Summer Hotel.

Of Grace Hospital, Homœopathic, praying that an Act may pass to change the name to " Grace Hospital," and for the appointment of additional Trustees.

Of Henry T. Thurber and others of Detroit, U.S.A., praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Hamilton Suburban Railway Company.

Of Robert M. Thompson and others of Bayonne City, New Jersey, U.S.A., praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Huronian Company, Limited.

Of Charles Cockshutt and others, of Toronto, praying that an Act may pass empowering the trustees, under Will of the late Jane Laycock, to sell and convey portion of lands and premises comprised in trust.

Of the Synod of the Diocese of Niagara, praying that an Act may pass to confirm the Canon on Differences passed on 11th June. 1901, and to declare the same to be binding.

Of the Honourable Sir Richard Cartwright and others, of Ottawa, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Ontario Electric Company.

Of the Town Council of Orillia, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the Council to increase debenture debt by \$50,000 and to amend 62 Vic. c. 64, respecting the town.

Of the Ottawa Presbyterian Ladies' College, praying that an Act may pass to amend the Act incorporating, and to change the name to " The Ottawa Ladies College".

Of the Village Council of Paisley, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm By-Law No. 348 and to confirm a certain agreement *re* carpet weaving.

Of the Pembroke Southern Railway Company, praying that an Act may pass empowering the Company to extend their line and to amalgamate with other companies.

Of the Town Council of Peterborough, praying that an Act may pass to legalize and confirm By-Law No. 953, granting aid to the Canadian Cordage and Manufacturing Company and to amend the Act respecting the town.

Of the Village Council of Point Edward, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm certain by-laws to assist G. A. Crosby & Co., and to exempt the Botsford-Jenks Co. from taxes.

Of Edmund Hall, trading under the name of the Sarnia Bay Mill, praying that an Act may pass enabling the Town of Sarnia to pass a by-law fixing assessment of Company.

Of the Town Council of Sarnia, the Village Council of Point Edward, and the Sarnia Street Railway Company, praying that an Act may pass to legalize and confirm By-law No. 554 of the Town of Sarnia and No. 184 of the Village of Point Edward, respecting the Sarnia Street Railway Company.

Of Henry T. Thurber, and others, of Detroit, U.S.A., praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Toronto and Hamilton Railway Company, and to ratify and confirm certain By-laws.

Of the Woodstock, Thames Valley and Ingersoll Electric Railway Company, praying that an Act may pass extending the time for completion of the road and to confirm a certain agreement.

Of the South Mountain Methodist Church ; also, of the Askin Street Methodist Church of London ; also, of the Parkhill Methodist Church ; also, of the Gravenhurst Methodist Church ; also, of the Kemble Methodist Church ; also of the Brant Street Methodist Church, of Brantford ; also, of the Westmoreland Avenue Methodist Church of Toronto, severally praying for the enactment of a Prohibitory liquor law.

The Attorney-General, from the Special Committee appointed to prepare and report with all convenient speed, lists of members to compose the Select Standing Committees ordered by the House, presented the following lists as their Report :—

COMMITTEE ON STANDING ORDERS.—Messieurs Barr, Beatty (Leeds), Beatty (Parry Sound), Breithaupt, Brower, Brown, Burt, Carpenter, Charlton, Clarke, Davis, Farwell, Gallagher, Graham, Hoyle, Hislop, Jessop, Kidd, Kribs, Latchford, Lee, Little, Lucas, Macdiarmid, Matheson, Miscampbell, Monteith, Mutrie, McKay, Powell, Pyne, Reid (Durham), Richardson, Robson, Russell, Smith, Stratton and Truax—38.

The Quorum of said Committee to consist of Seven members.

COMMITTEE ON PRIVATE BILLS.—Messrs. Auld, Barber, Barr, Beatty, (Parry Sound), Blezard, Boyd, Breithaupt, Brower, Brown, Burt, Caldwell, Carscallen, Carpenter, Charlton, Clarke, Colquhoun, Conmee, Crawford Davis, Dempsey, Dickenson, Douglas, Duff, Eilber, Fallis, Farwell, Foy, Fox, Gallagher, Gibson, Graham, Gaibord, Harcourt, Hill, Holmes, Hoyle, Hislop, Jamieson, Jessop, Joynt, Kidd, Latchford, Lee, Leys, Little, Loughrin, Lucas, Lumsden, Marter, Matheson, Miscampbell, Morrison, Munro, Mutrie,

McKay, McKee, Pardo, Pattullo, Preston, Reid (Addington), Reid (Durham), Richardson, Russell, Smith, Stratton, Thompson, Truax, Tucker, Wardell and Whitney—70.

The Quorum of said Committee to consist of Nine members.

COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS.—Messieurs Allen, Aylesworth, Barr, Barber, Beatty (Leeds) Beatty, (Parry Sound), Blezard, Bowman, Boyd, Bridgland, Brown, Burt, Carnegie, Carpenter, Carscallen, Charlton, Colquhoun, Conmee, Crawford, Davis, Dickenson, Dryden, Duff, Eilber, Fallis, Farwell, Foy, Gallagher, Garrow, Gibson, Graham, Guibord, Hill, Holmes, Hislop, Jamieson, Jessop, Joynt, Latchford, Leys, Loughrin, Lumsden, Marter, Malcolm, Miscampbell, Morrison, Monteith, Mutrie, Macdiarmid, McDonald, McKee, McKay, McLaughlin, Pardee, Pattullo, Powell, Pyne, Reid (Addington), Richardson, Russell, Smith, Stratton, Taylor, Thompson, Truax, Wardell and Whitney—67.

The Quorum of said Committee to consist of Nine members.

COMMITTEE ON MUNICIPAL LAW.—Messieurs Allen, Auld, Aylesworth, Barber, Barr, Beatty (Leeds), Beatty (Parry Sound), Blezard, Bowman, Bridgland, Brower, Brown, Burt, Carnegie, Carpenter, Carscallen, Clarke, Crawford, Davis, Dempsey, Dickenson, Douglas, Dryden, Duff, Eilber, Foy, Fox, Garrow, Gibson, Graham, Gross, Guibord, Hill, Holmes, Hoyle, Hislop, Jamieson, Jessop, Kidd, Kribs, Latchford, Leys, Little, Lucas, Lumsden, Malcolm, Marter, Monteith, Munro, Mutrie, Macdiarmid, McDonald, McKay, McKee, McLaughlin, Pattullo, Pardee, Pardo, Pettypiece, Preston, Pyne, Reid (Addington), Reid (Durham), Richardson, Robson, Russell, Smith, Stratton, Taylor, Thompson, Truax, Tucker and Whitney—73.

The Quorum of said Committee to consist of Seven members.

COMMITTEE ON PRIVILEGES AND ELECTIONS.—Messieurs Aylesworth, Allen, Blezard, Breithaupt, Bridgland, Caldwell, Charlton, Conmee, Davis, Douglas, Dryden, Duff, Fallis, Farwell, Foy, Fox, Gallager, Gibson, Graham, Guibord, Harcourt, Jamieson, Jessop, Joynt, Latchford, Leys, Marter, Miscampbell, Morrison, Munro, Macdiarmid, McDonald, McLaughlin, Pardee, Pardo, Pattullo, Pettypiece, Ross, Smith, Taylor and Whitney—41.

The Quorum of said Committee to consist of Nine members.

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND COLONIZATION.—Messieurs Allen, Barber, Barr, Beatty (Leeds), Breithaupt, Brown, Brower, Burt, Caldwell, Carnegie, Carpenter, Charlton, Crawford, Davis, Dempsey, Dickenson, Douglas, Dryden, Duff, Eilber, Fallis, Fox, Farwell, Guibord, Hill, Hislop, Holmes, Jessop, Kidd, Lee, Leys, Little, Lumsden, Macdiarmid, Malcolm, Monteith, Mutrie, McKee, McLaughlin, Pardo, Pettypiece, Pattullo, Reid (Durham), Reid (Addington), Richardson, Robson, Smith, Taylor, Truax, Tucker and Whitney—51.

The Quorum of said Committee to consist of Nine members.

COMMITTEE ON LEGAL BILLS.—Messieurs Carscallen, Charlton, Conmee, Davis, Farwell, Foy, Garrow, Gibson, Gross, Latchford, Lucas, Matheson, McKay, Thompson, Pardee, Wardell and Whitney—17.

The Quorum of said Committee to consist of Five members.

COMMITTEE ON PRINTING.—Messieurs Auld, Beatty (Leeds), Colquhoun, Dempsey, Graham, Harcourt, Kribs, Pettypiece, Preston, Ross, Russell, Stratton, Tucker, and Wardell—14.

The Quorum of said Committee to consist of Five members.

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.—Messieurs Auld, Bowman, Boyd, Caldwell, Carnegie, Carpenter, Charlton, Clarke, Oonmee, Crawford, Davis, Dickenson, Duff, Eilber, Farwell, Gross, Garrow, Hoyle, Kidd, Latchford, Loughrin, Matheson, Miscampbell, Pardee, Preston, Reid (Addington), Richardson, Ross, Stratton, Tucker, Wardell and Whitney—32.

The Quorum of said Committee to consist of Seven members.

Resolved, That this House doth concur in the above Report.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :

Bill (No. 90), intituled "An Act to confirm an Agreement respecting the Victoria Niagara Falls Park."—Mr. Ross.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

Bill (No. 91), intituled "An Act to provide for the Revision of the Statute Law."—Mr. Gibson.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

Bill (No. 92), intituled "An Act respecting Mortmain, and the disposition of land for Charitable Uses."—Mr. Gibson.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Wednesday next.

Bill (No. 93), intituled "An Act to amend the Marriage Act."—Mr. Gibson.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Wednesday next.

Bill (No. 94), intituled "An Act respecting the Imperial Statutes relating to Property and Civil Rights, incorporated into the Statute Law of Ontario."—Mr. Gibson.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

Mr. Stratton presented to the House, by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor :

Report of the Minister of Education for the year 1901, (Part I), with the Statistics of 1900. (*Sessional Papers No. 12.*)

Also—Report of the Farmers' Institutes of the Province for the year 1901. (Part III.) Meetings and Statistics. (*Sessional Papers No. 25.*)

Also—Report of the Canadian Association of Fairs and Exhibitions for the year 1901. (*Sessional Papers, No. 26.*)

Also—Report upon the Ontario Institution for the Education of the Blind, Brantford, for the year ending 30th September, 1901. (*Sessional Papers, No. 41.*)

Also—Report upon the Ontario Institution for the Education of the Deaf and Dumb, Belleville, for the year ending 30th September, 1901. (*Sessional Papers, No. 42.*)

Also—Account of Official Guardian *ad litem* for the year 1901. (*Sessional Papers, No. 50.*)

The House then adjourned at 3.40 p.m.

Tuesday, 14th January, 1902.

PRAYERS.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Gibson, the Petition of the Village Council of Fergus ; also, the Petition of the Bellwood Circuit Methodist Church.

By Mr. Davis, the Petition of the Temperanceville Circuit Methodist Church.

By Mr. Latchford, the Petition of Haley's Station Circuit Methodist Church.

By Mr. Whitney, the Petition of the Hallville Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of Edward McLaughlin and others of Morrisburgh,

By Mr. Kribs, the Petition of the Berlin Circuit Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of J. S. Williamson and others of Berlin.

By Mr. Lee, the Petition of the Thamesville Circuit Methodist Church.

By Mr. Smith, the Petition of A. T. Switzer and others of Lisgar.

By Mr. Fallis, the Petition of the Bethany Circuit Methodist Church ; also the Petition of John Richardson and others of Bethany.

By Mr. Matrie, the Petition of Rockwood Circuit Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of Eramosa Circuit Methodist Church.

By Mr. Carscallen, the Petition of the Barton Street Methodist Church, Hamilton.

By Mr. Preston, the Petition of the Princeton Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of the Cathcart Circuit Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of Frank H. Elliott and others of Cathcart.

By Mr. Guibord, the Petition of Vankleek Hill Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of W. A. Hanna and others of Vankleek Hill.

By Mr. Leys, the Petition of the Dundas Street Centre Methodist Church, London.

By Mr. Pardee, the Petition of the Royal Trust Company ; also, the Petition of Co-runna Circuit Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of the Wanstead Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of O. Hayward and others of Wanstead ; also, the Petition of John Harrowen and others of Petrolea ; also, the Petition of W. Wilson and others of Wilson's Croft.

By Mr. Boyd, the Petition of Thomas Hearn and others of Kemble.

By Mr. Robson, the Petition of the Lambeth Circuit Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of William Kettlewell and others of Glendale.

By Mr. Brower, the Petition of W. H. Graham and others of Sparta.

By Mr. Crawford, the Petition of Edmund Hudson and others of Toronto.

By Mr. McKay, the Petition of the Otterville and Bookton Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of Mabel Smith and others of Otterville.

By Mr. Tucker, the Petition of the Drayton Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of the Moorefield Methodist Church.

Mr. McKay from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders presented their First Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully examined the Petition of the Pembroke Southern Railway Company, praying that an Act may pass empowering the Company to extend their line and to amalgamate with other Companies, and find the notices as published sufficient.

The following Bill was introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 95), intituled “An Act to reduce the expenses of the Administration of Justice.”—Mr. Hoyle.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Thursday next.

On motion of Mr. Ross, seconded by Mr. Gibson,

Resolved, That a Select Committee be appointed to act with Mr. Speaker in the control and management of the Library, to be composed as follows :—Messieurs Ross, Gibson, Harcourt, Davis, Stratton, Whitney, Matheson, Foy, Graham and Lucas.

Mr. Matheson asked the following Question :

1. What amount was received by the Province, during the past year, as bonus on timber limit sales. 2. What amount is still owing on account of bonus on past sales, and when is the same payable.

To which Mr. Davis replied as follows :—

Amount received by the Province during the past year as bonus on timber limit sales, \$571,383.59.

Amount still owing on account of bonus on past sales, and when payable :—

Amount now due.....	\$26,762 50
Amount due Feb. 20, 1902	4,950 00
do Mar. 20, 1902	86,584 37
do April 23, 1902	5,906 25
do June 20, 1902	86,584 37
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	\$210,787 49

Mr. Matheson asked the following Question :

1. How many applications have been received for Volunteer land grants under the Act of last Session. 2. How many townships have been set aside as open for location of Volunteer land grants, and what is the total area, in acres, of such townships.

To which Mr. Davis replied as follows :

The number of applications received for Volunteer grants, under the Act of last Session, is about 18,000. There have been 119 Townships set aside as open for location of Volunteer Land Grants with a total area of 2,750,000 acres.

The House then adjourned at 3.30 p. m.

Wednesday, 15th January, 1902.

PRAYERS.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Latchford, the Petition of Robert Barslead and others of Haley's Station.

By Mr. Garrow, the Petition of the Wingham Circuit Methodist Church; also, the Petition of the Londesboro' Circuit Methodist Church.

By Mr. Stratton, the Petition of the Lakehurst Circuit Methodist Church; also, the Petition of the Winchester Circuit Methodist Church.

By Mr. Mutrie, the Petition of the Paisley Street Circuit Methodist Church, Guelph.

By Mr. Pardo, the Petition of Robert Boyd and others of Tupperville.

By Mr. Jamieson, the Petition of the Holstein Circuit Methodist Church.

By Mr. Lee, the Petition of the Thamesville Circuit Methodist Church.

By Mr. Robson, the Petition of J. W. Oosens and others of Lambeth.

By Mr. Joynt, the Petition of the Oxford Mills Circuit Methodist Church.

By Mr. McDonald, the Petition of the Lancaster Circuit Methodist Church.

By Mr. Boyd, the Petition of the Woodford Circuit Methodist Church.

By Mr. Barber, the Petition of J. S. Deacon and others of Milton.

By Mr. Taylor, the Petition of the Bryanston Methodist Church.

By Mr. Hoyle, the Petition of the Rama Circuit Methodist Church.

By Mr. Barr, the Petition of the Hornings Mills Circuit Methodist Church.

By Mr. Dempsey, the Petition of the Cherry Valley Circuit Methodist Church.

By Mr. Lucas, the Petition of the Maxwell Methodist Church.

By Mr. Macdiarmid, the Petition of Thomas Bedford and others of Crumlyn; also, the Petition of Charles Saywell and others of St. Thomas; also, the Petition of N. C. Sutton and others of Talbotville.

By Mr. Truax, the Petition of the Mildmay Circuit Methodist Church; also, the Petition of Thomas H. Hickling and others of Mildmay.

By Mr. Kidd, the Petition of the Hintonburg Circuit Methodist Church; also, the Petition of W. G. Wilson and others of Hintonburg.

By Mr. McKay, the Petition of the Dereham Centre Circuit Methodist Church.

By Mr. Bowman, the Petition of the Colpoy's Bay Mission ; also, the Petition of the Wiarion Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of William McCutcheon and others of Lion's Head.

By Mr. Pardee, the Petition of the Port Lambton Mission.

By Mr. Monteith, the Petition of the Trustees of St. Mary's Methodist, Presbyterian and Episcopal Churches.

By Mr. Hill, the Petition of the County Council of York.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of Louis Gagné, and others, of Balfour, praying that an Act may pass to authorize Louis Gagné to practise medicine in the Districts of Algoma and Nipissing.

Of the Thorndale Circuit Methodist Church ; also, of the Mount Forest Methodist Church ; also, of the Morrisburgh Methodist Church ; also, of the Sunderland Methodist Church ; also, of the Goodwood Methodist Church ; also, of the Innisfil Methodist Church ; also, of the Grimsby Circuit Methodist Church ; also, of the Smith's Falls Methodist Church, severally praying for the enactment of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 96) intituled " An Act to amend the Assessment Act."—Mr. Pettypiece.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 97), intituled " An Act to amend the Municipal Act."—Mr. Brower.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 98), intituled " The Temiscamingue and Northern Ontario Railway Act."—Mr. Latchford.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill, (No. 99), intituled " An Act to amend the Assessment Act."—Mr. Foy.

Mr. Foy then moved,

That the Bill be read the second time forthwith.

And objection having been taken to the Motion, as being contrary to the Rules of the House.

Mr. Speaker decided that the Motion, for the second reading at this stage, is entirely out of order, and contrary to the established rule and practice of the House.

And it was accordingly.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Mr. Matheson asked the following Question :

How many Quarter Sections have been allotted to applicants under Volunteer Land Grant Act of last Session.

To which Mr. Davis replied,
That no allotments had yet been made.

Mr. Stratton presented to the House, by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor :—

Copy of Order-in-Council respecting the commutation of fees of A. M. McKinnon, Local Master and Registrar, at Guelph. (*Sessional Papers No. 51.*)

Also, Copy of Order-in-Council respecting payment to His Honour B. L. Doyle, Junior Judge of the County of Huron, of the surplus Surrogate fees of the County. (*Sessional Papers No. 52*)

Also—Return to an Order of the House of the 20th February, 1901, for a Return shewing : (1) In what municipalities and unorganized districts has smallpox appeared in Ontario, since January 1st, 1900 (2) What has been the source of the outbreak in each case. (3) What action was taken by the Government of the Province in the different outbreaks to prevent the spread of the disease. (4) To what extent was vaccination employed in the different outbreaks to limit the spread of the disease. (5) In how many places do Isolation Hospitals exist. (6) And whether (a) temporary or (b) permanent. (7) In how many centres in (a) organized districts, and (b) unorganized. (*Sessional Papers No. 53.*)

The House then adjourned at 5.25 p.m.

Thursday, 16th January, 1902.

PRAYERS.

3 O'CLOCK P.M

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table:—

By Mr. Davis, the Petition of the Schomberg Circuit Methodist Church.

By Mr. Harcourt, the Petition of Jacob Smith and others of Forks Road ; also, the Petition of Alexander Carruth and others of Moulton Station.

By Mr. Brown, Two Petitions of the County Council of Perth.

By Mr. Jamieson, the Petition of Judson Truax and others of Holstein.

By Mr. Boyd, the Petition of A. Richard and others of Woodford.

By Mr. Macdiarmid, the Petition of William Hugill and others of Rodney.

By Mr. Taylor, the Petition of Adelbert J. Excell and others of Parkhill.

By Mr. Clarke, the Petition of Asa Hoyt and others of Grafton ; also, the Petition of the County Council of the United Counties of Northumberland and Durham ; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Hamilton.

By Mr. Bridgland, the Petition of Wallace Campbell and others of Gravenhurst ; also, the Petition of T. H. Winters and others of South River.

By Mr. Joynt, the Petition of the Reverend J. Pinel and others of Jasper.

By Mr. Kribs, the Petition of the Reverend Alfred E. Lavell and others of Ayr ; also, the Petition of the Ayr Methodist Church.

By Mr. Fallis, the Petition of Samuel Stewart and others ; also, the Petition of S. J. Murphy and others all of Ida.

By Mr. Pyne, the Petition of the Parliament Street Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of Thomas Meadows and others all of Toronto.

By Mr. Lee, the Petition of the Fairfield Circuit Methodist Church.

By Mr. Beatty (Leeds), the Petition of the Westport Circuit Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of Berta de Long and others of Gananoque.

By Mr. Tucker, the Petition of the Stirton Circuit Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of George Ellis and others of Stirton.

By Mr. Truax, the Petition of J. Anderson and others of Elmwood.

By Mr. Hoyle, the Petition of Samuel Rockery and others of Rama.

By Mr. Caldwell, the Petition of S. McDowall, and others of Pakenham.

By Mr. Lucas, the Petition of Robert Fenwick and others of Maxwell

By Mr. Bowman, the Petition of S. L. Rutherford and others of Pike Bay.

By Mr. Pardee, the Petition of the Ladies Aid Society of the Courtright Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of John Fowler and others of Petrolea.

By Mr. Dickenson, the Petition of J. M. Jackson and others of Tweedside.

By Mr. Miscampbell, the Petition of the Reverend J. Dunlop and others of Midland.

By Mr. Carnegie, the Petition of Thomas Wicks and others of Norland

By Mr. Colquhoun, the Petition of J. Sutterly and others of Hamilton.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of Edward McLaughlin and others of Morrisburgh, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Morrisburgh Electric Railway Company.

Of the Royal Trust Company of Montreal, praying that an Act may pass enabling and licensing the Company to carry on business in Ontario.

Of the Village Council of Fergus, praying certain amendments to the Municipal Act, respecting the separation of farm lands from towns.

Of the Otterville and Bookton Circuit Methodist Church ; also, of Mabel Smith and others of Otterville ; also, of Edmund Hudson and others of Toronto ; also, of the Moorefield Methodist Church ; also, of the Drayton Circuit Methodist Church ; also, of W. H. Graham and others of Sparta ; also, of William Kettlewell and others of Glendale ; also, of Lambeth Circuit Methodist Church ; also, of Thomas Hearn and others of Kemble ; also, of William Wilson and others of Wilson Croft ; also, of John Harrowen and others of Petrolea ; also, of C. Hayward and others of Wanstead ; also, of Wanstead Circuit Methodist Church ; also, of Oorunna Circuit Methodist Church ; also, of Dundas Street

Centre Methodist Church, London; also, of W. A. Hanna and others of Vankleek Hill; also, of Vankleek Hill Methodist Church; also, of Oathcart Methodist Church; also, of Princeton Methodist Church; also, of Oathcart Circuit Methodist Church; also, of Barton Street Methodist Church of Hamilton; also, of Eramosa Circuit Methodist Church; also, of Rockwood Circuit Methodist Church; also, of John Richardson and others of Bethany; also, of Bethany Circuit Methodist Church; also, of A. T. Switzer and others of Lisgar; also, of Thamesville Circuit Methodist Church; also, of J. S. Williamson and others of Berlin; also, of Berlin Circuit Methodist Church; also, of Hallville Methodist Church; also, of Temperanceville Circuit Methodist Church; also, of Haley's Station Methodist Church; also, of Bellwood Circuit Methodist Church, severally praying for the enactment of a Prohibitory Liquor Law,

The following Bill was introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 100) intituled " An Act to amend the Juror's Act " Mr. Gibson.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Tuesday next.

Mr. Ross delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from the Lieutenant-Governor, signed by himself; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, and is as follows :—

O. MOWAT.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits Estimates of certain sums required for the service of the Province, until the Estimates for the year 1902 are finally passed, and recommends them to the Legislative Assembly.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

Toronto, January 15th, 1902.

(*Sessional Papers No. 2*)

Ordered, That the Message of the Lieutenant-Governor, together with the Estimates accompanying the same, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(*In the Committee*)

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$450,000) be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Civil Government, and for other purposes (as mentioned in the statement accompanying the Message of the Lieutenant-Governor to this House), and from the 1st day of January, 1902, to the passing of the Appropriation Act for the year 1902, and not exceeding the last day of February, 1902. Such expenditures to be confined to the ordinary necessary payments for the different services to which they respectively relate, and a detailed statement of such expenditure to be laid before the House before the second reading of the Appropriation

Act of 1902, and the details of the said several services to be included in the detailed Estimates to be brought down to this House, as though this Resolution had not passed ; it being declared that the expenditure under the head of " Public Works and Buildings " shall, in all cases, be confined to lapsed appropriations for 1901.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair ; and Mr. Graham reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution ; also, That the Committee had directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be received forthwith.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again on Tuesday next.

Mr. Graham from the Committee of Supply, reported a Resolution, which was read as follows :—

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$450,000), be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Civil Government and for other purposes (as mentioned in the statement accompanying the Message of the Lieutenant-Governor to this House), from the first day of January, 1902, to the passing of the Appropriation Act for the year 1902, and not exceeding the last day of February, 1902. Such expenditures to be confined to the ordinary necessary payments for the different services to which they respectively relate, and a detailed statement of such expenditures to be laid before the House, before the second reading of the Appropriation Act of 1902, and the details of the said several services to be included in the detailed Estimates, to be brought down to this House, as though this Resolution had not passed ; it being declared that the expenditure under the head of " Public Works and Buildings " shall in all cases be confined to lapsed appropriations for 1901.

The Resolution having been read the second time, was agreed to.

The House, according to the Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That there be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of this Province a sum not exceeding Four hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$450,000), to meet that supply to that extent granted to His Majesty.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Graham reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution ; also, That the Committee had directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be received forthwith.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again on Tuesday next.

Mr. Graham from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported a Resolution, which was read as follows :—

Resolved, That there be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of this Province a sum not exceeding Four hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$450,000), to meet the supply to that extent granted to His Majesty.

The Resolution, having been read the second time, was agreed to.

The House then adjourned at 3.30 p.m.

Friday, 17th January, 1902.

PRAYERS

3 O'CLOCK P. M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Gibson, the Petition of John R. Robinson and others of Bellwood.

By Mr. Davis, the Petition of James Henry and others of Queensville.

By Mr. Garrow, the Petition of the Holmesville Circuit Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of the Nile Methodist Church.

By Mr. Whitney, the Petition of the Winchester Springs Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of the Inkerman Methodist Church.

By Mr. Carscallen, the Petition of the City Council of Hamilton.

By Mr. Leys, the Petition of the City Council of London ; also, the Petition of the London Street Railway Company ; also, the Petition of the Township Council of London.

By Mr. Auld, the Petition of the Township Council of Pelee.

By Mr. McKee, the Petition of the Windsor, Essex and Lake Shore Railway Company.

By Mr. Pardee, the Petition of Gill R. Lovejoy and others of Lenox, U. S. A. ; also, the Petition of the Petrolea Circuit Methodist Church.

By Mr. Lee, the Petition of the Reverend F. E. Malott and others of Guilds.

By Mr. Gross, the Petition of the Sao Paulo Tramway, Light and Power Company, Limited ; also, the Petition of the Port Dalhousie, St. Catharines and Thorold Electric Street Railway Company, Limited.

By Mr. Barr, the Petition of T. E. Bartley and others of Orangeville.

By Mr. Barber, the Petition of the Milton Circuit Methodist Church.

By Mr. Hislop, the Petition of Peter Cantlon and others of Brussels.

By Mr. Blezard, the Petition of A. L. Adam and others of Hastings ; also, of the Petition of the Hastings Methodist Church.

By Mr. Russell, the Petition of Herbert W. Baragar and others of Foxboro ; also, the Petition of the Foxboro Circuit Methodist Church.

By Mr. Reid (Durham), the Petition of John Awde and others of Tyrone.

By Mr. Richardson, the Petition of the Markham Methodist Church.

By Mr. Robson, the Petition of John R. Waite and others of Lambeth.

By Mr. Mutrie, the Petition of Isaac Snyder and others of Rockwood ; also the Petition of John V. Buffey and others of Oollingwood ; also the Petition of C. E. Carruthers and others of Guelph.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Trustees of St. Mary's Methodist, Presbyterian and Episcopal Churches, praying that an Act may pass empowering the removal of bodies and monuments from old cemetery on Elgin street, in Town of St. Marys.

Of the County Council of York, praying that an Act may pass to ratify By-law in connection with new Court House, in Toronto, and for other purposes.

Of the Wingham Circuit Methodist Church ; also, of the Londesboro Circuit Methodist Church ; also, of the Woodford Circuit Methodist Church ; also, of the Lancaster Circuit Methodist Church ; also, of the Oxford Mills Circuit Methodist Church ; also, of J. W. Cosens and others of Lambeth ; also, of the Thamesville Circuit Methodist Church ; also, of Holstein Circuit Methodist Church ; also, of Robert Boyd and others of Tupperville ; also, of Paisley Street Circuit Methodist Church, Guelph ; also, of the Winchester Methodist Church ; also, of Robert Barslead and others of Haley's Station ; also, of John Elliott and others of Lakehurst ; also, of Maxwell Circuit Methodist Church ; also, of Cherryville Circuit Methodist Church ; also, of Hornings Mills Circuit Methodist Church ; also, of Rama Circuit Methodist Church ; also, Bryanston Methodist Church ; also, of J. S. Deacon and others of Milton ; also, of Thomas Bedgood and others of Crumlyn ; also, of W. McOutcheon and others of Lions Head ; also, of Warton, Circuit Methodist Church ; also, of Colpoys Bay Methodist Church ; also, of Durham Centre Circuit Methodist Church ; also, of W. G. Wilson and others of Hintonburg ; also, of Hintonburg Circuit Methodist Church ; also, of Mildmay Circuit Methodist Church ; also, of Thomas H. Hickling and others of Mildmay ; also, of Charles Saywell and others of St. Thomas ; also, of Port Lambert Mission, severally praying for the enactment of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 101), intituled " An Act to amend the Manhood Suffrage Registration Act."—Mr. Barr.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

Bill (No. 102), intituled " An Act to amend the Municipal Act."—Mr. Hoyle.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

Bill (No. 103), intituled " An Act to amend the Municipal Act"—Mr. Preston.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

Bill (No. 104), intituled "An Act to amend the Ontario Game Protection Act."—
Mr. Auld.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

The following Bill was read the second time :—

Bill (No. 93), To amend the Marriage Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Tuesday next.

The House then adjourned at 3.30 p m.

Monday, 20th January, 1901.

PRAYERS.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Ross, the Petition of John Hayter and others of Glencoe.

By Mr. Dryden, the Petition of George Washington Smith and others of Toronto.

By Mr. Harcourt, the Petition of J. C. Stevenson and others of Dunnville; also, the Petition of the Dunnville Methodist Church.

By Mr. Davis, the Petition of W. H. Glover and others of Holland Landing.

By Mr. Whitney, the Petition of A. Moorehouse and others of South Mountain.

By Mr. Lee, Two Petitions of the County Council of Kent.

By Mr. McKee, the Petition of William Simpson and others.

By Mr. Farwell, the Petition of the Ontario, Hudson's Bay and Western Railway Company.

By Mr. Lumsden, Two Petitions of the City Council of Ottawa.

By Mr. Brower, the Petition of the St. Thomas Street Railway Company.

By Mr. Foy, the Petition of the City Council of Toronto; also, the Petition of Thomas D. Bailey and others of Toronto.

By Mr. Hill, the Petition of David Lloyd and others of Newmarket; also, the Petition of the Town Council of Toronto Junction.

By Mr. Guibord, the Petition of the Township Council of West Hawkesbury.

By Mr. Barber, the Petition of the Plains and Appleby Circuit Methodist Church.

By Mr. Dickenson, the Petition of the Hamilton, Ancaster and Brantford Railway Company.

By Mr. Beatty (Leeds), the Petition of the Westport Circuit Methodist Church; also, the Petition of Mistress A. E. Sanderson and others of Westport; also, the Petition of C. Fredenburg and others of Lansdowne.

By Mr. Little, the Petition of Henry Stroud and others of Lefroy.

By Mr. Jessop, the Petition of S. St. John and others of Fulton.

By Mr. Barr, the Petition of David A. McBride and others of Orangeville.

By Mr Hoyle, the Petition of the Township Council of Uxbridge.

By Mr Robson, the Petition of James C. Dance and others of South Dorchester ; also, the Petition of F. G. Rumball and others of London.

By Mr. Carpenter, the Petition of John R. Isaac and others of Townsend ; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Townsend.

By Mr. Russell, the Petition of the Plainfield Circuit Methodist Church.

By Mr. Pyne, the Petition of the Haliburton, Whitney and Mattawa Railway Company.

By Mr. Dickenson, the Petition of the Bartonville Circuit Methodist Church.

By Mr. Wardell, the Petition of the Dundas Methodist Ohurch.

By Mr. Preston, the Petition of Philip G. Fisher and others of Brantford.

By Mr. Reid (Addington), the Petition of the Township Council of Olden ; also, the Petition of the Yarker Circuit Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of H. W. Wallace and others of Moscow.

By Mr. Taylor, the Petition of Ailsa Creig Circuit Methodist Church.

The following Petitions were read and received :

Of the County Council of the United Counties of Northumberland and Durham, praying certain amendments to the Toll Roads Expropriation Act, respecting compensation to be paid upon expropriation.

Of the County Council of the United Counties of Northumberland and Durham ; also, of the County Council of Perth, severally praying certain amendments to the Railway Act, respecting the construction of cattle guards.

Of the County Council of Perth praying certain amendments to the Municipal Act, respecting the maintenance of bridges.

Of Robert Fenwick and others of Maxwell ; also, of S. L. Rutherford and others of Pike Bay ; also, of J. Sutterly and others of Hamilton ; also, of Thomas Wicks and others of Norland ; also, of Reverend J. Dunlop and others of Midland ; also, of J. M. Jackson and others of Tweedside ; also, of John Fewler and others of Petrolea ; also, of Ladies Aid Society Courtright Methodist Ohurch ; also, of Schomberg Circuit Methodist Church ; also, of Jacob Smith and others of Forks Road ; also, of Alexander Carruth and others of Moulton Station ; also, of Judson Truax and others of Holstein ; also, of A. Richard and others of Woodford ; also, of William Hugill and others of Rooney ; also, of Adelbert J. Excell and others of Parkhill ; also, of Asa Hoyt and others of Grafton ; also, of Wallace Campbell and others of Gravenhurst ; also, of T. H. Winters and others of South River ; also, of S. McDowall and others of Pakenham ; also, of Samuel Rockery and others of Rama ; also, of J. Anderson and others of Elmwood ; also, of George Ellis and others of Stirton ; also, of Stirton Circuit Methodist Church ; also, of Berta de Long and others of Gananoque ; also, of Westport Circuit Methodist

Church ; also, of Fairfield Circuit Methodist Church ; also, of Thomas Meadows and others of Toronto ; also, of Parliament Street Methodist Church, Toronto : also, of S. J. Murphy and others ; also, of Samuel Stewart and others all of Ida ; also, of Reverend Alfred E. Lavell and others of Ayr ; also, of Ayr Circuit Methodist Church ; also, of Reverend J. Pinell and others of Jasper, severally praying for the enactment of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 105), intituled “ An Act to amend the Municipal Act.”—Mr. Barr.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

Bill (No. 106), intituled “ An Act to further amend the Devolution of Estates Act.”
—Mr. Gibson.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

Mr. Barr asked the following Question :

Has School Section No. 7 in the Township of Melancthon, County of Dufferin, received the Government grant for the year 1901. If not, why.

To which Mr. Harcourt replied as follows :—

The grant referred to is not one payable direct by the Education Department to the school, but is payable from the Legislative grant to the township made through the Provincial Treasury Department and County Treasurer. The apportionment is made by the Inspector upon the average attendance of the school, compared with that of other public schools in the township.

The Department certified the payment of Legislative Public School grant for 1901 to the County of Dufferin on June 13th of last year, which was no doubt paid as recommended.

The Inspector's reports for the various townships of Dufferin are not yet received ; in fact they are not yet due, and the Department is not in a position to say whether the grant due to any particular school for last year has been paid or not.

As a matter of routine and duty on the part of the Inspector, the grant should have been duly paid within the year, unless there was good cause, under the Act, for the Inspector to withhold the same.

On motion of Mr. Hoyle, seconded by Mr. Barr.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return shewing what amount, if any, has been received from private parties towards the support of their relatives or otherwise, in the respective Insane Asylums of the Province during the year 1901.

Mr. Ross delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from the Lieutenant-Governor, signed by himself ; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, and is as follows :—

O. MOWAT.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits Estimates of certain sums required for the service of the Province for the year 1902, and to complete the services of the Province for the year 1901, and recommends them to the Legislative Assembly.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

Toronto, 20th January, 1902.

(*Sessional Papers, No 2.*)

Ordered, That the Message of the Lieutenant-Governor, together with the Estimates accompanying the same, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. Ross presented to the House, by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor :—

Public Accounts of the Province for the year 1901. (*Sessional Papers No. 1.*)

On motion of Mr. Ross, seconded by Mr. Gibson.

Ordered, That the Public Accounts of the Province for the year 1901, be referred to the Committee on Public Accounts.

Mr. Stratton presented to the House, by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor :—

Report of the Inspector of Legal Offices for the year 1901. (*Sessional Papers No. 34.*)

The House then adjourned at 3.30 p. m.

Tuesday, 21st January, 1902.

PRAYERS

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Dryden, the Petition of Joseph Harper and others of Raglan ; also, the Petition of the Pickering Circuit Methodist Church.

By Mr. Harcourt, the Petition of the Township Council of Sherbrooke.

By Mr. Garrow, the Petition of Walter B. Purdy and others of Wingham ; also, the Petition of the Dungannon Circuit Methodist Church.

By Mr. Davis, the Petition of Hugh Walker and others of Vandorf ; also, the Petition of T. J. Spalding and others of Aurora.

By Mr. Latchford, the Petition of the Township Council of McNab ; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Brougham ; also, the Petition of J. S. Moir and others of Arnprior ; also, the Petition of the Arnprior Methodist Church.

By Mr. Whitney, the Petition of George Saffel and others of Inkerman.

By Mr. McKee, the Petition of the Township Council of Orford, the Village Council of Dutton and the Lake Erie and Detroit River Railway Company.

By Mr. Jessop, the Petition of William A. May, John S. Sullivan and Ralsey C. Davis of Toronto, and elsewhere.

By Mr. Matheson, the Petition of the Township Council of Drummond.

By Mr. Pardee, the Petition of the Toronto Stock Exchange ; also, the Petition of the Wilkesport Circuit Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of Thomas Nicholson and others of Seckerton.

By Mr. Pattullo, the Petition of the Township Council of Blenheim ; also, the Petition of A. Pringle and others of Washington ; also, the Petition of the Bright Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of Arthur O. Eddy and others of Drumbo ; also, the Petition of the Embro Circuit Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of L. Marshall and others of Woodstock ; also, the Petition of Dundas Street Methodist Church, Woodstock ; also, the Petition of Drumbo Circuit Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of Princeton Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of J. Barnett and others of Plattsville.

By Mr. Mutrie, the Petition of M. Shultis and others of Rockwood.

By Mr. Macdiarmid, the Petition of A. Humphrey and others of St. Thomas.

By Mr. Monteith, the Petition of the Township Council of Elma ; also, the Petition of the Reverend J. Henderson and others of Staffa ; also, the Petition of William White and others of Mitchell.

By Mr. Lee, the Petition of A. P. Shillington and others of Blenheim.

By Mr. Morrison, the Petition of the Bridge Street Methodist Church, Belleville.

By Mr. Gallagher, the Petition of the City Council of Kingston ; also, the Petition of Wolfe Island Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of the Harrowsmith Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of Sydenham Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of Frank Walker and others of Wolfe Island ; also, the Petition of A. E. Morris and others of Cataraqui ; also, the Petition of Alfred Hunter and others of Harrowsmith ; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Pittsburg.

By Mr. Hislop, the Petition of H. E. Oasey and others of Ethel ; also, the Petition of the Fordwich Methodist Church,

By Mr. Lumsden, the Petition of the McLeod Street Methodist Church, Ottawa.

By Mr. Oonmee, the Petition of the Ontario Ship Railway Company ; also, the Petition of W. H. Wadland and others of Schrieber ; also, the Petition of the Schrieber Methodist Church.

By Mr. Hoyle, the Petition of Christian Stouffer and others of Ringwood ; also, the Petition of the Stouffville Methodist Church.

By Mr. Crawford, the Petition of John Hodge and others of Toronto.

By Mr. Preston, the Petition of W. B. Wickens and others of Brantford.

By Mr. Gross, the Petition of Joseph Rudd and others of Niagara Falls South ; also, the Petition of the Merriton Methodist Church.

By Mr. Wardell, the Petition of the Capetown Methodist Church.

By Mr. Joynt, the Petition of A. G. Robertson and others of Oxford Mills ; also, the Petition of Easton Corners Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of William Hughes and others of Easton's Corners.

By Mr. Tucker, the Petition of Reverend J. H. Robinson and others of Palmerston.

By Mr. Carpenter, the Petition of the Simcoe Methodist Church.

By Mr. Miscampbell, the Petition of the Township Council of Orillia ; also, the Petition of the Midland Methodist Church.

By Mr. Dempsey, the Petition of the Township Council of Hillier ; also, the Petition of Albert Harvey and others of Ameliasburg.

By Mr. McKay, the Petition of the Oxford Centre Circuit Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of the Norwich Circuit Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of George Ferguson and others of Dereham Centre ; also, the Petition of J. F. Elliott and others of Oxford Centre.

By Mr. Reid (Durham), the Petition of the Enniskillen Circuit Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of the Tyrone Circuit Methodist Church.

By Mr. Fallis, the Petition of the Township Council of Oavan ; also, the Petition of the Janetville Circuit Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of the Canton Circuit Methodist Church.

By Mr. Barr, the Petition of the Shelburne Methodist Church.

By Mr. Burt, the Petition of the Paris Methodist Church.

By Mr. Eilber, the Petition of James Young and others of Grand Bend.

By Mr. Leys, the Petition of the London Trade and Labour Council.

By Mr. Graham, the Petition of the Lyn Methodist Church.

By Mr. McLaughlin, the Petition of Ira J. Cranmer and others of Aultsville.

By Mr. Allen, the Petition of E. Merdeff and others of Bridgewater ; also, the Petition of the Bridgewater Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of the Eldorado Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of the West Huntington Circuit Methodist Church.

By Mr. Boyd, the Petition of C. Van Wyck and others of Balaclava.

By Mr. Holmes, the Petition of H. Howard and others of Hagarsville.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of John V. Buffey and others, of Collingwood, praying that the Bill before the House respecting the Town of Collingwood and the Collingwood Ship building Company, may not pass.

Of the City Council of London, praying that an Act may pass to validate certain By-laws fixing the assessment of the McClary Manufacturing Company and the George White Sons and Company, Limited, for a term of years, and to legalize and confirm By-laws Numbers 1,938 to 1,941 *re* issue of Debentures.

Of the London Street Railway Company ; also of the Township Council of London, severally praying that an Act may pass legalizing and confirming By-law No. 431, of the township of London and an agreement therein referred to, respecting the Company.

Of the Township Council of Pelee, praying that an Act may pass empowering the municipality to aid by way of loan, the establishment of a steam-boat service between Pelee Island and the main shore, and to confirm the issue of debentures therefor.

Of Gill R. Lovejoy and others, of Lenox, U. S. A., praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Petrolea Rapid Railway Company.

Of the Port Dalhousie, St. Catharines and Thorold Electric Street Railway Company, praying that an Act may pass empowering the Company to amalgamate with other companies.

Of the Sao Paulo Tramway, Light and Power Company, Limited, praying that an Act may pass authorizing issue and sale of redeemable preference stock, and confirming mortgage bond issue.

Of the Windsor, Essex and Lake Shore Rapid Railway Company, praying that an Act may pass to increase the borrowing powers of the company and to authorize the issue of bonds.

Of the City Council of Hamilton, praying certain amendments to the Municipal Act, respecting the costs of Counsel employed by cities, and amendments to the Public Parks Act, respecting the powers of municipalities.

Of T. E. Bartley and others of Orangeville; also, of Milton Circuit Methodist Church; also, of James Henry and others of Queensville; also, of Winchester Springs Methodist Church; also, of Inkerman Methodist Church; also, of Holmesville Circuit Methodist Church; also, of Nile Circuit Methodist Church; also, of Petrolea Circuit Methodist Church; also, of John N. Robinson and others of Bellwood; also, of Reverend F. E. Malott and others of Guilds; also, of C. E. Carruthers and others of Guelph; also, of Peter Cantlon and others of Brussels; also of Hastings Circuit Methodist Church; also, of A. L. Adams and others of Hastings; also, of Herbert H. Barragar and others of Foxboro; also, of Foxboro Circuit Methodist Church; also, of John Awde and others of Tyrone; also, of Isaac Snyder and others of Acton; also of Markham Methodist Church; also, of John R. Waite and others of Lambeth, severally praying for the enactment of Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Mr. McKay, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented their Second Report, which was read as follows and adopted:—

The Committee have carefully examined the following Petitions and find the Notices as published in each case sufficient:—

Of the Royal Trust Company, praying that an Act may pass enabling and licensing the Company to carry on business in Ontario;

Of the Synod of the Diocese of Niagara, praying that an Act may pass to confirm the "Canon on Differences", passed on 11th June, 1901, and declare the same to be binding;

Of the Town Council of Peterborough, praying that an Act may pass to legalize and confirm By law No. 953, granting aid to the Canadian Cordage and Manufacturing Company, and to amend the Act respecting the Town;

Of the Village Council of Paisley, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm By-law No. 348 and to confirm a certain agreement *re* Carpet Weaving ;

Of Henry T. Thurber and others of Detroit, U.S.A., praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Hamilton Suburban Railway Company ;

Of Henry T. Thurber and others of Detroit, U.S.A., praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Toronto and Hamilton Railway Company, and to ratify and confirm certain By-laws ;

Of Robert M. Thompson and others of Bayonne City in the State of New Jersey, U.S.A., praying that an Act may pass to incorporate The Huronian Company, Limited ;

Of the County Council of York, praying that an Act may pass to ratify a By-law in connection with the New Court House in Toronto and for other purposes ;

Of the Trustees of St. Mary's Methodist, Presbyterian and Episcopal Churches, praying that an Act may pass empowering the removal of bodies and monuments from the Old Cemetery on Elgin Street in the Town of St. Mary's ;

Of Mary V. Dunlop and others of Woodstock, praying that an Act may pass to declare that the writing signed by John Dunlop on 6th April, 1901, shall be admitted to probate by the Surrogate of the County of Oxford as the last Will and Testament of the said John Dunlop ;

Of the Town Council of Orillia, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the Council to increase their debenture debt by \$50,000 and to amend 62 Vic, Cap. 64, respecting the Town ;

Of the Brantford Young Women's Christian Association, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate them ;

Of Charles Cockshutt and others of Toronto, praying that an Act may pass to empower the Trustees under the Will of the late Jane Laycock to sell and convey a portion of land and premises comprised in Trust ;

The Committee recommend that Rule No. 51 of this Honourable House be suspended in this, that the time for receiving Petitions for Private Bills be extended until and inclusive of Tuesday the twenty-eighth day of January instant ;

Mr. McKay from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders presented their Third Report which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully examined the Petition of the Honourable Sir Richard Cartwright and others of Ottawa, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate The Ontario Electric Company, and find that notice of the proposed application to this Legislature has been published in the "Ontario Gazette" and in each County or Union of Counties through which the proposed railway is to run, the full period required by the Rules of this Honourable House, and that the notices as published agree with the Petitions ;

The Committee, however, find that power is asked "to build branches or extensions "from the main lines not exceeding in each case thirty miles" ;

The Committee would therefore recommend that the attention of the Railway Committee be directed to this matter with a view to prevent the construction of any of these branches into or through any County in which notice of such proposed legislation has not been published.

Mr. McKay from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders presented their Fourth Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully examined the Petition of Edward McLaughlin and others of Morrisburgh, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Morrisburgh Electric Railway Company and find that notice of the proposed application to this Legislature has been published four times in the "Ontario Gazette" and is now current; they also find that the notice appeared in the "Morrisburgh Leader" of dates December 20, 27 and January 3, 10 and 17 being five weekly insertions, also in the "Morrisburgh Herald" of dates December 26 and January 2, 9 and 16, being four weekly insertions, and also in the "Winchester Press" of dates 2, 9 and 16, being three weekly insertions and that all of the newspapers are published in the County of Dundas, the only County affected by the proposed legislation; the Committee also find that instructions have been given to continue the publication of the notices until the period of six weeks as required by the Rules of this Honourable House shall have expired;

The Committee considering that, by the publication of notice as aforesaid, all parties interested have had an opportunity of becoming aware of the proposed legislation, would recommend the suspension of the Rule in this case, and that the notices as published be held sufficient.

Ordered, That the time for receiving Petitions for Private Bills be extended until and inclusive of Tuesday the twenty-eighth day of January instant.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 1), intituled "An Act to enable the Surrogate Court of the County of Oxford to grant Probate of the writing signed by the late John Dunlop as and for his Will.—Mr. Pattullo.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 2), intituled "An Act to incorporate the Toronto and Hamilton Railway Company,"—Mr. Wardell.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 9), intituled "An Act to authorize the Royal Trust Company to do business in the Province of Ontario."—Mr. Pardee.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 11), intituled "An Act to incorporate the Huronian Company Limited."—Mr. Charlton.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 16), intituled "An Act respecting the Pembroke Southern Railway Company."—Mr. Munro.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 12), intituled "An Act respecting the Town of Peterborough."—Mr. Blezard.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 10), intituled "An Act to incorporate the Hamilton Suburban Railway Company."—Mr. Wardell.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 30), intituled "An Act respecting the Debenture Debt of the Town of Orillia."—Mr. Miscampbell.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 13), intituled "An Act to confirm By-law No. 348 of the Village of Paisley."—Mr. Malcolm.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 19), intituled "An Act to incorporate the Ontario Electric Company."—Mr. Graham.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 7), intituled "An Act to incorporate the Brantford Young Women's Christian Association."—Mr. Preston.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 27), intituled "An Act to enable the Trustees of the Jane Laycock Orphanage to sell certain lands in the County of Brant."—Mr. Preston.

Referred to the Commissioners of Estate Bills.

Bill (No. 36), intituled "An Act respecting the County of York."—Mr. Hill.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 29), intituled "An Act to incorporate the Morrisburg Electric Railway."—Mr. Whitney.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 8), intituled "An Act respecting the Synod of the Diocese of Niagara."—Mr. Carscallen.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 26), intituled "An Act respecting the Burying Grounds of St. Mary's Methodist Church; the First Presbyterian Church, and St. James Episcopal Church of the Town of St. Mary's."—Mr. Monteith.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 107), intituled "An Act to amend the Assessment Act."—Mr. Macdiarmid.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Thursday next.

Bill (No. 108), intituled "An Act to amend the Public Schools Act."—Mr. Barr.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Thursday next.

Bill (No. 109), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act."—Mr. Duff.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Thursday next.

Bill (No. 110), intituled "An Act to further amend the Voter's Lists Act."—Mr. Macdiarmid.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Thursday next.

Bill (No. 111), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Drainage Act."—Mr. McLaughlin.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Thursday next.

Bill (No. 112), intituled "An Act to divide the District of Rainy River for the registration of Titles and Deeds."—Mr. Gibson.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Thursday next.

The following Bills were severally read the second time :—

Bill (No. 91), to provide for the Revision of the Statute Law.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 92), Respecting Mortmain and the distribution of lands for Charitable Uses.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 94), Respecting the Imperial Statutes relating to Property and Civil Rights, incorporated into the Statute Law of Ontario.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Mr. Stratton presented to the House, by Command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor :—

Report of the Ontario Game Commission for the year 1901. (*Sessional Papers No. 30.*)

The House then adjourned at 4.40 p.m.

Wednesday, 22nd January, 1902.

PRAYERS.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Ross, the Petition of the Reverend J. R. Gundy and others of Strathroy ; also, the Petition of the Strathroy Methodist Church.

By Mr. Gibson, the Petition of the Township Council of Nichol ; also, the Petition of the Arthur Methodist Church.

By Mr. Garrow, the Petition of the Reverend Thomas B. Coupland and others of Londesboro.

By Mr. Whitney, the Petition of the Reverend S. J. Hughes and others of Winchester.

By Mr. Blezard, the Petition of Thomas E. Bradburn and others of Peterborough.

By Mr. McDonald, the Petition of the Village Council of Alexandria ; also, the Petition of the Reverend B. Pierce and others of Lancaster.

By Mr. Pardo, the Petition of the County Council of Kent ; also, the Petition of the Cedar Springs Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of J. W. Hardy and others of Highgate.

By Mr. Douglas, the Petition of J. W. Crews and others of Campbellford ; also, the Petition of the Campbellford Methodist Church.

By Mr. Lee, the Petition of the Ridgetown Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of R. W. Littlejohn and others of Ridgetown.

By Mr. Robson, the Petition of the Township Council of West Nissouri.

By Mr. Gallagher, the Petition of the Queen Street Methodist Church, Kingston.

By Mr. Clarke, the Petition of the Township Council of Alnwick ; also, the Petition of the Camborne Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of the Baltimore Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of C. L. Powell and others of Cobourg.

By Mr. Barr, the Petition of F. M. Ferris and others of Hornings Mills.

By Mr. Hoyle, the Petition of W. G. Hargrave and others of Udney.

By Mr. Allen, the Petition of the Marmora Methodist Church.

By Mr. Reid (Durham), the Petition of the Township Council of Clarke.

By Mr. Russell, the Petition of James Gillespie and others of Plainfield.

By Mr. Crawford, the Petition of the Epworth Methodist Church of Toronto.

By Mr. Bridgland, the Petition of E. J. Forge and others of Windermere.

By Mr. Tucker, the Petition of the Clifford Methodist Church.

By Mr. Barr, the Petition of the Township Council of Mono.

By Mr. Malcolm, the Petition of George Brooke and others of Ripley.

By Mr. Powell, the Petition of the Bell Street Methodist Church, Ottawa ; also, the Petition of K. Purdy and others of Ottawa.

By Mr. McKay, the Petition of the Township Council of West Oxford ; also, the Petition of the Bowmanville Methodist Church

By Mr. Preston, the Petition of the Burford and Fairfield Methodist Church.

By Mr. Pattullo, the Petition of N. Robson and others of Washington.

By Mr. Leys, the Petition of the City Council of London.

By Mr. Gross, the Petition of J. B. Kemp and others of Pembroke.

By Mr. Graham, the Petition of the Township Council of Elizabethtown.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of William Simpson and others, praying that an Act may pass to amend the Act incorporating the Essex and Kent Radial Railway Company, respecting the time of building and operation.

Of the Ontario Hudson's Bay and Western Railway Company, praying that an Act may pass to extend the time for commencement and completion of road.

Of the City Council of Ottawa, praying that an Act may pass to amend Cap. 62, 1 Ed. VII., respecting the issue of Debentures by the Corporation, and for other purposes.

Of the City Council of Ottawa, praying that an Act may pass, ratifying and confirming a By-law authorizing the Corporation to accept offer of Andrew Carnegie *in re* establishment of Public Library and for other purposes.

Of the St. Thomas Street Railway Company, praying that an Act may pass to amend the Acts relating to the Company and for increase of power.

Of the City Council of Toronto, praying that an Act may pass to amend the Act incorporating the Industrial Exhibition Association ; providing that Aldermen shall hold office for two years ; confirming Court House agreement ; empowering corporation to acquire and operate light and heating plant and for other purposes.

Of David Lloyd and others of Newmarket, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate a company with powers to generate and transmit electricity for light, heat and sound purposes in the Counties of York and Simcoe.

Of Thomas D. Bailey and others of Toronto, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Toronto Canoe Club.

Of James C. Dance and others of South Dorchester, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Aylmer, St. Thomas and London Electric Railway Company.

Of the Haliburton, Whitney and Mattawa Railway Company, praying that an Act may pass extending the time for the commencement and completion of the road.

Of the Hamilton, Ancaster and Brantford Railway Company, praying that an Act may pass to amend the Act incorporating the company and for other purposes.

Of Frederick G. Rumball and others of London, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the London Railway Company.

Of George Washington Smith and others of Toronto, praying that an Act may pass to enable the Trustees of the First Coloured Calvinistic Baptist Church of Toronto, to borrow money upon the church property and to sell the same.

Of the Town Council of Toronto Junction, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm certain By laws and agreements in reference to the Union Stock Yards Company, Limited, and for other purposes.

Of the County Council of Kent, praying certain amendments to the Act for the protection of sheep, regarding the destruction of dogs.

Of the County Council of Kent, praying certain amendments to the Coroners Act, respecting the fees paid to Coroners.

Of the Township Council of West Hawkesbury ; also, of the Township Council of Townsend ; also, of the Township Council of Olden ; also, of the Township Council of Uxbridge, severally praying certain amendments to the County Councils Act, respecting the constitution of County Councils.

Of the Reverend John R. Isaac and others of Simcoe ; also, of David A. McBride and others of Orangeville ; also, of S. St. John and others of Fulton ; also, of Mistress A. E. Sanderson and others of Westport ; also, of Philip G. Fisher and others of Brantford ; also, of Dundas Methodist Church ; also of Bartonville Circuit Methodist Church ; also, of Plainfield Circuit Methodist Church ; also, of Ailsa Craig Methodist Church ; also, of Yarker Circuit Methodist Church ; also, of F. W. Wallace and others of Moscow ; also, of O. Fredenburg and others of Lansdowne ; also, of Henry Stone and others of Lefroy ; also, of A. Moorehouse and others of South Mountain ; also, of W. H. Glover and others of Holland Landing ; also, of Dunnville Methodist Church ; also, of John Hayter and others of Glencoe ; also, of Plains and Appleby Circuit Methodist Church ; also, of J. C. Stevenson and others of Dunnville, severally praying for the enactment of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :

Bill (No. 113), intituled "An Act to amend the Act respecting Assignments and Preferences by Insolvent Persons".—Mr. Joynt.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 114), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act".—Mr. Pattullo.

Ordered, That the bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 115), intituled "An Act to amend the Assessment Act".—Mr. Hill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 116), intituled "An Act to amend the Public Health Act".—Mr. Hill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

The Order of the Day for the House to again resolve itself into the Committee of Supply, having been read,

Mr. Ross moved,

That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.

And a Debate having ensued, it was

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

The House then adjourned at 10.40 p.m.

Thursday, 23rd January, 1902.

PRAYERS.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Harcourt, the Petition of the Township Council of Moulton

By Mr. Dryden, the Petition of G. K. Robertson and others of Seagrove.

By Mr. Garrow, the Petition of T. Brown and others of Londesboro.

By Mr. Whitney, the Petition of Colin Robertson and others of Iroquois.

By Mr. Marter, the Petition of M. J. Hunter and others of Toronto.

By Mr. Foy, the Petition of Harriet Bacon and others of Toronto.

By Mr. McKee, the Petition of the Sandwich, Windsor and Amherstburg Railway Company.

By Mr. Carscallen, the Petition of the Ontario Municipal Association.

By Mr. Carpenter, the Petition of the Waterford Methodist Church.

By Mr. Barber, the Petition of the Reverend W. C. Henderson and others of Burlington.

By Mr. Macdiarmid, the Petition of Grace Methodist Church, St. Thomas.

By Mr. Pardo, the Petition of the Highgate Methodist Church ; also, of J. B. Clark and others of Blenheim.

By Mr. Bowman, the Petition of J. V. Eldridge and others of Wiarton.

By Mr. Lee, the Petition of Charles Reynolds and others of Bothwell

By Mr. Jessop, the Petition of the Township Council of Grantham ; also, the Petition of the Township Council of South Grimsby ; also, the Petition of L. Grant and others of Copetown ; also, the Petition of W. A. Sherwood and others of St. Catharines.

By Mr. Beatty (Leeds), the Petition of Freeman Shipman and others of Lansdowne.

By Mr. Gallagher, the Petition of the Township Council of Portland ; also, the Petition of the Reverend J. Cornell and others of Elginburg.

By Mr. Little, the Petition of Henry Sloan and others of Palgrave.

By Mr. Barr, the Petition of Thomas Whitten and others of Laurel.

By Mr. Gross, the Petition of Franklin E. Harrison and others of Niagara Falls South.

By Mr. Hislop, the Petition of B. Quinn and others of Blyth.

By Mr. Monteith, the Petition of George W. Henderson and others of St. Mary's.

By Mr. Monteith, the Petition of J. W. Gould and others of Maplewood.

By Mr. Dempsey, the Petition of the Ameliastown Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of Harry Shortt and others of South Bay.

By Mr. McKee, the Petition of the Palmerston Methodist Church.

By Mr. Russell, the Petition of G. H. Clare and others of Tweed.

By Mr. Leys, the Petition of H. Rathbun and others of London.

By Mr. Dickenson, the Petition of the Binbrook Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of A. Robinson and others of Ancaster.

By Mr. Carnegie, the Petition of Albert V. Phillips and others of Cobocok.

By Mr. Loughrin, the Petition of S. Weigar and others of North Bay ; also, the Petition of D. S. Garrison and others of Warren ; also, the Petition of D. W. Oantlon and others of Sudbury.

By Mr. Reid (Durham), the Petition of Albert Washington and others of Taunton.

By Mr. Fallis, the Petition of Janetville Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of John Fowler and others of Mount Forest

By Mr. Malcolm, the Petition of T. J. Fisher and others of Kincardine ; also, the Petition of the Ripley Methodist Church.

By Mr. Kidd, the Petition of the Township Council of Goulbourn ; also, the Petition of the Oarp Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of J. Fennell and others of Carp.

By Mr. Pyne, the Petition of the Queen Street East Methodist Church, Toronto.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of William A. May, of St. Catharines ; John Joseph Sullivan, of Toronto, and Ralsey Clark Davis, of Smithville, praying that an Act may pass directing the Royal College of Dental Surgeons of Ontario to admit them as students in their final year.

Of the Ontario Ship Railway Company, praying that an Act may pass to extend the time of commencement and completion of the undertaking.

Of the Township Council of Orford, the Village Council of Dutton and the Lake Erie and Detroit River Railway Company, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm certain By-laws granting bonuses to the Lake Erie and Detroit River Railway Company.

Of the Toronto Stock Exchange, praying that an Act may pass to amend their Act of incorporation, with power to extend their membership.

Of the City Council of Kingston, praying that the Bill before the House relating to trial by Juries in actions against Municipal Corporations for non-repair of streets, may not become law.

Of the London Trades and Labour Council praying that the City of London, and the whole, or part of County of Middlesex, may be grouped into one constituency, returning four or more members to Parliament.

Of the Township Council of McNab ; also, of the Township Council of Brougham ; also, of the Township Council of Elma ; also, of the Township Council of Blenheim ; also, of the Township Council of Orillia ; also, of the Township Council of Cavan ; also, of the Township Council of Hillier ; also, of the Township Council of Pittsburg ; also, of the Township Council of Sherbrooke ; also, of the Township Council of Drummond, severally praying for certain amendments to the County Councils Act respecting the constitution of County Councils.

Of George Suffel and others of Inkerman ; also, of Shelburne Methodist Church ; also, of Paris Methodist Church ; also, of James Young and others of Grand Bend ; also, of E. Merdiff and others of Bridgewater ; also, of Ira J. Cranmer and others of Aultsville ; also, of Lyn Methodist Church ; also, of C. Van Wyck and others of Balaclava ; also, of West Huntingdon Circuit Methodist Church ; also, of Eldorada Circuit Methodist Church ; also, of Bridgewater Methodist Church ; also, of T. S. Howard and others of Hagarsville ; also, of Wilkesport Circuit Methodist Church ; also, of Thomas Nicholson and others of Seckerton ; also, of Arnprior Methodist Church ; also, of J. S. Moir and others of Arnprior ; also, of T. J. Spaulding and others of Aurora ; also, of Hugh Walker and others of Vandorf ; also, of Walter B. Purdy and others of Wingham ; also, of Pickering Circuit Methodist Church ; also, of Joseph Harper and others of Raglan ; also, of Dungannon Circuit Methodist Church ; also, of Dundas Street Methodist Church, Woodstock ; also, of L. Marshall and others of Woodstock ; also, of Embro Circuit Methodist Church ; also, of Arthur C. Eddy and others of Drumbo ; also, of Bright Circuit Methodist Church ; also, of A. Pringle and others of Washington ; also, of J. Barnett and others of Plattsville ; also, of Princeton Methodist Church ; also, of Drumbo Methodist Church ; also, of M. Shultis and others of Rockwood ; also, of A. Humphrey and others of St. Thomas ; also, of A. D. Shillington and others of Blenheim ; also, of Bridge Street Methodist Church, Belleville ; also, of Rev. J. Henderson and others of Staffa ; also, of William White and others of Mitchell ; also, of Cataraqui Methodist Church ; also, of Wolfe Island Methodist Church ; also, of Sydenham Methodist Church ; also, of Harrowsmith Methodist Church ; also, of Frank Walker and others of Wolfe Island ; also, of A. E. Morris and others of Cataraqui ; also, of A. Hunter and others of Harrowsmith ; also, of Fordwich Methodist Church ; also, of McLeod Street Methodist Church, Ottawa ; also, of Janetville Methodist Church ; also, of Canton Methodist Church ; also, of Tyrone Methodist Church ; also, of J. F. Elliott and others of Oxford Centre ; also, of Ennis-killen Methodist Church ; also, of George Fergusson and others of Dereham Centre ; also, of Norwich Methodist Church ; also, of Oxford Centre Methodist Church ; also, of Midland Methodist Church ; also, of Simcoe Methodist Church ; also, of J. A. Robinson and others of Palmerston ; also, of Albert Harvey and others of Ameliasburg ; also, of William Hughes and others of Eastons Corners ; also, of Eastons Corners Methodist Church ;

also, of A. G. Robertson and others of Oxford Mills ; also, of Copetown Methodist Church ; also, of Merriton Methodist Church ; also, of Joseph Rudd and others of Niagara Falls South ; also, of W. B. Wickens and others of Brantford ; also, of John Hoidge and others of Toronto ; also, of H. E. Casey and others of Ethel ; also, of Stouffville Methodist Church ; also, of C. Stouffer and others of Ringwood ; also, of Schrieber Methodist Church ; also, of W. H. Wadland and others of Schrieber, severally praying for the enactment of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Mr. McKay from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders presented their Fifth Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully examined the following petitions, and find the notices as published in each case sufficient.

Of the Town Council of Collingwood and the Collingwood Ship Building Company, Limited, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm a certain agreement and to confirm a previous agreement.

Of George Washington Smith and others of Toronto praying that an Act may pass to enable the Trustees of the First Coloured Calvinistic Baptist Church of Toronto to borrow money on property of church, and to sell the same.

Of Louis Gagné and others of Balfour, praying that an Act may pass authorizing Louis Gagné to practise medicine in Algoma and Nipissing.

Of the Port Dalhousie, St. Catharines and Thorold Electric Railway Company, praying that an Act may pass empowering the company to lease or sell its property to the Niagara, St. Catharines and Toronto Railway Company.

Of Thomas D. Bailey and others of Toronto, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Toronto Canoe Club.

Of the Woodstock, Thames Valley and Ingersoll Electric Railway Company, praying that an Act may pass extending the time for completion of the road, and to confirm a certain agreement.

Of Grace Hospital Homœopathic, praying that an Act may pass to change the name to "Grace Hospital," and for the appointment of additional Trustee

Of the London Street Railway Company, praying that an Act may pass legalizing and confirming By law No. 431 of the Township of London, and an agreement therein referred to respecting the company.

Mr. McKay from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders presented their Sixth Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully examined the Petition of the Haliburton, Whitney and Mattawa Railway Company praying that an Act may pass to extend the time for the commencement and completion of the road, and for other purposes, and find that notice of the proposed application to this Legislature has been inserted the full length of time required by the Rules of this Honourable House in the "Ontario Gazette" the "Bobcaygeon Independent" and the "Minden Echo" ;

The Committee have also had evidence produced before them shewing that a copy of the said notice was forwarded to the Editor of the "Mattawa Times", on the 15th day of October last, with instructions to give the same six weekly insertions in the issues of that paper; that it was not until late in the month of December last, that it became known that the notice had not appeared as directed, on account of the discontinuance of publication of the paper; that the notice was at once forwarded to the "North Bay Times" with instructions to insert same for six weeks in the issues of that paper; that the notice has appeared in the paper in two weekly issues thereof and will be further inserted as instructed.

In view of the foregoing, the Committee are of the opinion that sufficient publicity has been given to the matter and would therefore recommend the suspension of the Rule in this case.

Mr. McKay from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders presented their Seventh Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully examined the Petition of G. R. Lovejoy and others of Lenox, U. S. A., praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Petrolea Rapid Railway Company, and find that notice of the proposed application to this Legislature has been inserted three weeks in the "Ontario Gazette" and is now current; the notice has also appeared in the issues of four newspapers published in the County of Lambton *viz* :—the "Petrolea Advertiser" on the 1st day of January instant, the "Sarnia Canadian" on the 8th day of January instant, "Public Opinion" and the "Florence Quill" in each on the 16th day of January instant and is now current in each of the papers.

The Committee find that the notice has also appeared in two newspapers published in the County of Kent *viz* :—the "Thamesville Herald" and the "Dresden Times" in each on the 16th day of January instant and is now current in each of the papers, and Declarations have been filed shewing that in each of the foregoing publications the notice will be continued until the period of six weeks shall have expired.

The Committee consider that by publication as aforesaid all parties interested will have had an opportunity of becoming aware of the proposed legislation and therefore recommend that the Rule be suspended in this case and the notice be held sufficient.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 4), intituled "An Act respecting the Port Dalhousie, St. Catharines and Thorold Electric Street Railway Company, Limited".—Mr. Jessop.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 3), intituled "An Act to enable Louis Gagné to practise Medicine and Surgery in certain Townships".—Mr. Loughrin.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 17), intituled "An Act respecting the London Street Railway Company."—Mr. Leys.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 33), intituled "An Act respecting the Town of Collingwood Ship Building Company, Limited."—Mr. Duff.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 24), intituled "An Act to amend the Act to incorporate Grace Hospital Homœopathic."—Mr. Pyne.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 5), intituled "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Haliburton, Whitney and Mattawa Railway Company."—Mr. Pyne.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 35), intituled "An Act respecting the First Coloured Calvinistic Baptist Church, Toronto."—Mr. Dryden.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 117), intituled "An Act to amend the Ontario Election Act."—Mr. Macdiarmid.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 118), intituled "An Act to amend the Ontario Medical Act." Mr. Jessop.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 119), intituled "An Act to amend the Act respecting Councils of Conciliation and Arbitration."—Mr. Preston.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

The Order of the Day for resuming the Adjourned Debate on the Motion that the House do again resolve itself in the Committee of Supply, having been read,

The Debate was continued, and after some time, it was

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned until Tuesday next.

The House then adjourned at 6 p. m.

Friday, 24th January, 1902.

PRAYERS.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table:—

By Mr. Stratton, the Petition of Alexander Northey and others of Selwyn.

By Mr. Dryden, the Petition of James Fowlie and others of Audley.

By Mr. Charlton, the Petition of A. Y. Edmonds and others of Simcoe; also, the Petition of John Morley and others of Brinsley.

By Mr. Barber, the Petition of J. Lampstead and others of Burlington.

By Mr. Munro, the Petition of the Township Council of Sherwood.

By Mr. Hislop, the Petition of William Penhall and others of Blyth.

By Mr. Preston, the Petition of Arthur Darnley and others of Paris.

By Mr. Carpenter, the Petition of W. J. Smith and others of Delhi.

By Mr. Robson, the Petition of Cornelius Langford and others of Wellburn ; also, the Petition of Leonard Hayter and others of Ilderton.

By Mr. Morrison, the Petition of S. A. Hopkins and others of Belleville.

By Mr. Jessop, the Petition of James Goodwin and others of Grimsby.

By Mr. Eilber, the Petition of Thomas Mollard and others of Grand Bend.

By Mr. Smith, the Petition of Robert Agar and others of Nashville.

By Mr. Dickenson, the Petition of A. M. Bowslaugh and others of Grimsby.

By Mr. Allen, the Petition of James Maybee and others of Rawdon ; also, the Petition of Rawdon Methodist Church.

By Mr. Fallis, the Petition of Joseph Fee and others of Mount Pleasant.

By Mr. McLaughlin, the Petition of Oran Baker and others of Osnabruck Centre.

By Mr. Hill, the Petition of A. T. Orth and others of Kleinburg.

By Mr. Brown, the Petition of S. S. Rothwell and others of Britton.

By Mr. Pyne, the Petition of F. Hewitt and others of Toronto.

By Mr. Wardell, the Petition of the Reverend S. Sellery and others of Dundas ; also, the Petition of David Lawson and others of Copetown.

By Mr. Lee, the Petition of A. S. Vogler and others of Ridgetown.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Village Council of Alexandria, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm a certain By-law *re* waterworks and light plant.

Of Thomas E. Bradburn and others of Peterborough, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Peterborough Radial Railway Company.

Of the County Council of Kent, praying certain amendments to the Coroners Act, respecting fees to Coroners.

Of the City Council of London, praying certain amendments to the Municipal Act respecting the removal of trees and shrubs from streets and squares.

Of the Township Council of Clarke ; also, of the Township Council of Mono ; also, of the Township Council of Alnwick ; also, of the Township Council of Elizabethtown ; also, of the Township Council of West Oxford ; also, of the Township Council of West Nissouri ; also, of the Township Council of Nichol, severally praying certain amendments to the County Councils Act, respecting the constitution of County Councils.

Of the Reverend J. R. Gundy and others, of Strathroy ; also, of the Strathroy Methodist Church ; also, of the Arthur Methodist Church ; also, of the Reverend Thomas B. Coupland and others of Londesboro ; also, of the Reverend S. J. Hughes and others of

Winchester ; also, of the Cedar Springs Methodist Church ; also, of J. W. Hardy and others of Highgate ; also, of the Reverend B. Pierce and others of Lancaster ; also, of J. W. Crews and others of Campbellford ; also, of the Campbellford Methodist Church ; also, of Ridgetown Methodist Church ; also, of R. W. Littlejohn and others of Ridgetown ; also, of Queen's Street Methodist Church, Kingston ; also, of the Camborne Methodist Church ; also, of Baltimore Methodist Church ; also, of C. L. Powell and others of Oobourg ; also, of F. M. Ferris and others of Hornings Mills ; also, of W. G. Hargrave and others of Udney ; also, of Marmora Methodist Church ; also, of James Gillespie and others of Plainfield ; also, of the Epworth Methodist Church, Toronto ; also, of E. J. Forge and others of Windermere ; also, of Clifford Methodist Church ; also, of George Brooke and others of Ripley ; also, of Brownsville Methodist Church ; also, of Bell Street Methodist Church, Ottawa ; also, of K. Purdy and others of Ottawa ; also, of N. Robson and others of Washington ; also, of Burford and Fairfield Methodist Church ; also, of J. B. Kemp and others of Pembroke, severally praying for the enactment of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 31), intituled "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Woodstock, Thames Valley and Ingersoll Electric Railway Company."—Mr. Pattullo.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 43), intituled "An Act to incorporate the Toronto Canoe Club."—Mr. Foy.
Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 120), intituled "An Act to amend the Public Schools Act."—Mr. Hill.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

Bill (No. 121), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act."—Mr. Carscallen.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

Mr. Breithaupt asked the following Question :—

Has the Government taken into consideration the question of utilizing Canadian grown Flax in the manufacture of Binder Twine and Rope, instead of procuring the raw material from Manilla, New Zealand and elsewhere.

To which Mr. Stratton replied as follows :—

This subject has for some time past been under consideration by the Government with a view to such action being taken thereon, as may be considered practicable and advisable.

Mr. Whitney asked the following Question :—

Has an injunction been served on the Sheriff of the County of Essex forbidding him to interfere with the pipes of a gas company conveying gas from Essex County to the City of Detroit, and if so, what is the name of the company. If so, what were the circumstances connected therewith, and what, if any, steps have been taken with reference to it. Has any lease under the terms of which gas was exported from the Province to the United States, been cancelled by the Government, and if so, what lease and when was the same cancelled.

To which the Attorney-General made the reply following :—

An injunction was served on the Sheriff of the County of Essex forbidding him to interfere with the pipes of the Gas Company conveying gas from Essex County to the City of Detroit, the name of the Company being the "Interior Construction and Improvement Company." The Company's License of Occupation having been cancelled, direction had been sent to the Sheriff to cause the pipes to be removed unless the exportation of natural gas was discontinued. The License of Occupation made to the Company, under which their pipes were laid across the bed of the River, was dated 27th July, 1899. Notice of revocation of this License of Occupation was given on the 19th day of April, 1901, and the License formally cancelled by Order in Council on 26th October, 1901. On the motion to continue the injunction, which had been granted by the Local Judge, the same was dissolved, and an undertaking given and embodied in the Order of the Court that the exportation of Natural Gas should absolutely be discontinued until the trial of the action.

Mr. Whitney asked the following Question :—

Is it the intention of the Government to introduce legislation during the present Session, dealing with the question of Law Reform.

To which the Attorney General replied as follows :—

It is not the intention of the Government to submit any general measure of Law Reform during the present Session.

Mr. Wardell asked the following Question :—

How much money was on deposit in the Banks to the credit of the Province, on the 15th day of January, 1902.

To which the Treasurer replied :—

That the total amount of money on deposit in the Banks to the credit of the Treasurer of the Province of Ontario, on the 15th day of January, 1902, was \$2,180,345.00

Mr. Whitney asked the following Question :—

(1) Was Alexander Merner who was appointed Returning Officer for the election of a member of this House for North Waterloo, at an election held on the 16th and 23rd days of May, 1899, appointed by Order in Council, and if so, what was the date of the Order in Council (2) If not appointed by Order in Council, by whose direction and authority was his name inserted in the Writ of election, and on what date, and by whom was the decision arrived, to insert his name in the said Writ of election.

And the Attorney-General replied as follows :—

Alexander Merner was not appointed Returning Officer for the election of a member of this House for North Waterloo at an election held on the 16th and 23rd days of May, 1899. John McDougall, Local Registrar, was Returning Officer in that election. The Statute does not require that appointments of Returning Officers shall be made by Order in Council, but indicates that they shall be made by His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor.

Mr. McLaughlin asked the following Question :—

What amount has been paid by the Province under the Act of 1900, to provide for the incorporation of Co-operative Cold Storage Associations, and to what Associations.

And Mr. Dryden replied as follows :—

No grant has yet been applied for, or made to any Municipality under the Act respecting Provincial Aid towards the establishment of Municipal Cold Storage Buildings.

Mr. McLaughlin asked the following Question :—

Have any municipality or municipalities been paid any amount, and if so, what municipality and what amount, under the Act respecting Provincial Aid towards the establishment of municipal cold storage buildings.

To which Mr. Dryden replied as follows :—

The sum of five hundred dollars has been paid to the St. Catharines Cold Storage and Forwarding Company, under the Act to provide for the Incorporation of Cold Storage Associations, 1900, and applications for inspection of buildings and for grants under the said Act have been made by two other Co-operative Associations.

On motion of Mr. Barr, seconded by Mr. Hoyle,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return, giving the name of each License Commissioner in each License District in the Province and the amount of expenses allowed in each District, up to the 30th April, 1901. The name and salary of each License Inspector in the Province up to the 30th April, 1901, the county for which he was appointed, and the amount allowed each such Inspector for expenses.

On motion of Mr. Jessop, seconded by Mr. Eilber,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return, shewing what is the area, in acres, of timber sold by the Government since 1871, and the amount received therefrom ; also, what sales have taken place during the last five years ; to whom sold and the amount received from such sales.

On motion of Mr. Whitney, seconded by Mr. Crawford,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return, of copies of all correspondence since January 1, 1901, between the Attorney-General, or any officer of his Department, and any other person or persons, relating to the export of gas from the Province under any lease ; also, copy of such lease ; also, copy of any instructions to, and any report made by Mr. Stiff on the subject since said date ; also, copy of any injunction served on the Sheriff of the County of Essex forbidding him to interfere with the pipes of any Gas Company.

On motion of Mr. McLaughlin, seconded by Mr. Fox,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return, shewing what number of Cold Storage Associations have been incorporated, where they are, and what amount was paid by the Province to each of the Associations formed under the Act of 1900, to provide for the incorporation of Co-operative Cold Storage Associations.

Mr. Stratton presented to the House :

Return to an Order of the House of the twentieth day of January 1902, for a Return, shewing what amount if any, has been received from private parties towards the support of their relatives or otherwise, in the respective Insane Asylums of the Province during the year 1901. (*Sessional Papers No. 55.*)

The House then adjourned at 4 p.m.

Monday, 27th January, 1902.

PRAYERS.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Gibson, the Petition of A. H. Humphries and others of Arthur ; also, the Petition of John W. Wales and others of Mount Forest.

By Mr. Harcourt, the Petition of the Canboro Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of John A. Swazie and others of Canboro.

By Mr. Davis, the Petition of the Reverend George Washington and others of Kleinburg.

By Mr. Barber, the Petition of Joseph Archer and others of Freeman.

By Mr. Hill, the Petition of the Township Council of Etobicoke.

By Mr. Burt, the Petition of E. Thompson and others of Paris.

By Mr. Carpenter, the Petition of David Barnes and others of Townsend.

By Mr. Pettypiece, the Petition of F. Lucas and others of Walnut.

By Mr. Dickenson, the Petition of the Hamilton Electric Radial Railway Company ; also, the Petition of S. Marshall and others of Binbrook.

By Mr. Beatty (Leeds), the Petition of the Township Council of Bastard ; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Kitley.

By Mr. Jessop, the Petition of the Reverend Thomas R. Fydel and others of Smithville.

By Mr. Duff, the Petition of the Township Council of Essa.

By Mr. Hislop, the Petition of James Leech and others of Gorrie.

By Mr. Wardell, the Petition of Frank Brown and others of West Flamboro.

By Mr. Marter, the Petition of J. D. Hert and others of Toronto.

By Mr. Reid (Addington), the Petition of the Township Council of Oso ; also, the Petition of W. W. Simkins and others of Newburgh.

By Mr. Lucas, the Petition of Richard Heron and others of Feversham ; also, the Petition of William McClemin and others of Maxwell.

By Mr. Barr, the Petition of George Davis and others of Laurel.

By Mr. Jamieson, the Petition of the National Portland Cement Company, Limited

By Mr. Conmee, the Petition of the Town Council of Fort William.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of Harriet Bacon and others of Toronto, praying that an Act may pass empowering the trustees of the estate of the late John Bacon to employ funds in making permanent improvements to vacant lands.

Of the Sandwich, Windsor and Amherstburg Railway Company, praying that an Act may pass to empower the company to extend its line and for other purposes.

Of the Ontario Municipal Association, praying certain amendments to the Assessment, Municipal and other Acts.

Of the Township Council of Grantham ; also, of the Township Council of Moulton ; also, of the Township Council of Portland ; also, of the Township Council of Goulbourn ; also, of the Township Council of S. Grimsby, severally praying certain amendments to the County Councils Act, respecting the constitution of County Councils.

Of T. J. Fisher and others of Kincardine ; also, of the Carp Methodist Church ; also, of J. Fennell and others of Carp ; also, of Queen Street East Methodist Church, Toronto ; also, of John Fowler and others of Mount Forest ; also, of the Binbrook Methodist Church ; also, of Albert V. Phillips and others of Oboconk ; also, of S. Weigar and others of North Bay ; also, of D. S. Garrison and others of Warren ; also, of D. W. Cantlon and others of Sudbury ; also, of C. W. Wright and others of Janetville ; also, of Albert Washington and others of Taunton ; also, of the Ripley Methodist Church ; also, of R. Rathbun and others of London ; also, of A. Robinson and others of Ancaster ; also, of G. H. Clare and others of Tweed ; also, of the Palmerston Methodist Church ; also, of Ameliasburg Methodist Church ; also, of Harry Shortt and others of Port Traverse ; also, of George W. Henderson and others of St. Marys ; also, of B. Quinn and others of Blyth ; also, of J. W. Gould and others of Maplewood ; also, of Franklin E. Harrison and others of Niagara Falls South ; also, of Thomas Whitten and others of Laurel ; also, of Henry Sloan and others of Palgrave ; also, of the Reverend J. Cornell and others of Elginburg ; also, of Freeman Shipman and others of Lansdowne ; also, of W. A. Sherwood and others of St. Catharines ; also, of L. Grant and others of Opetown ; also, of J. B. Clark and others of Blenheim ; also, of Charles Reynolds and others of Bothwell ; also, of J. T. Eldridge and others of Wiarton ; also, of Highgate Methodist Church ; also, of Grace Methodist Church, St. Thomas ; also, of the Reverend W. C. Henderson and others of Burlington ; also, of F. Alway and others of Waterford ; also, of M. J. Hunter and others of Toronto ;

also, of Colin Robertson and others of Iroquois ; also of F. Moore and others of Londesboro ; also, of G. K. Robertson and others of Seagrave, severally praying for the enactment of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :

Bill (No. 122), intituled " An Act to amend the Election Act."—Mr. Lee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

Bill (No. 123), intituled " An Act to amend the Assessment Act."—Mr. Pyne.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

Mr. Wardell asked the following Question :—

How much money did the Government receive from any source, between the 31st day of December, 1901, and the 15th day of January, 1902.

To which the Treasurer made the following reply :—

Total amount of money received by the Treasury Department between the 31st of December, 1901, and the 15th of January, 1902, \$819,956.58, of which \$669,643.64 was Dominion Subsidy.

Mr. Wardell asked the following Question :—

How many *bona fide* settlers went into that portion of Ontario, lying northwesterly from Lake Temiskaming and between lakes Nipissing and Abittibi, during the year 1901.

And the Commissioner of Crown Lands replied in the words following :—

The number of persons taking up land as *bona fide* settlers in the Temiskaming region during 1901, according to our returns, was 957.

No count of how many persons there were in each family has been kept, but the Agent estimates the permanent increase of population during 1901, to be 1,500.

On motion of Mr. Beatty (Leeds), seconded by Mr. Hoyle,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return, a copy of any Report, or other document, made to any Department of the Government by the engineer, or other officer or person, who surveyed the route of the proposed Temiskaming Railway.

The following Bill was read the second time :—

Bill (No 99), To amend the Assessment Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

The House then adjourned at 3.35 p. m.

Tuesday, 28th January, 1902.

PRAYERS.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Dryden, the Petition of William F. Henderson and others of Pickering ; also, the Petition of N. Mitchell and others of Seagrave.

By Mr. Davis, the Petition of H. Meyer and others of Bethesda.

By Mr. Whitney, the Petition of A. Nash and others of Morrisburg ; also, the Petition of Gordon Baker and others of Winchester Springs.

By Mr. Matheson, the Petition of the Township Council of Beckwith.

By Mr. Conmee, the Petition of the Nepigon Railway Company.

By Mr. Carpenter, the Petition of John Anderson and others of Kelvin.

By Mr. Hill, the Petition of Charles R. Dunsford and others of Morden, Manitoba.

By Mr. Burt, the Petition of the Reverend B. Rowe and others of Cainsville.

By Mr. Pardo, the Petition of James Gardiner and others of Chatham.

By Mr. Auld, the Petition of the County Council of Essex ; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Mersea ; also, the Petition of William Healey and others of Goldsmith.

By Mr. Joynt, the Petition of the Township Council of Wolford ; also, the Petition of Charles Hammond and others of Prescott.

By Mr. Fallis, the Petition of William Skuce and others of Janetville.

By Mr. Powell, the Petition of Hugh Dempsey and others of Ottawa.

By Mr. Russell, the Petition of the Township Council of Hungerford.

By Mr. Dickenson, the Petition of David W. Young and others of Barton Township.

By Mr. Pattullo, the Petition of M. W. Townsend and others of Woodstock ; also, the Petition of Richard Laurie and others of Bright.

By Mr. Gross, the Petition of M. E. Thomas and others of Niagara Falls ; also, the Petition of S. H. Doane and others of Wellandport.

By Mr. Reid (Addington), the Petition of the Township Council of Denbigh.

By Mr. Breithaupt, the Petition of the Waterloo County Temperance Association.

By Mr. Bridgland, the Petition of W. F. Roach and others, of Hillside ; also, the Petition of F. Prosser and others of Windermere.

By Mr. McKay, the Petition of William C. Smith and others of Beaconsfield ; also, the Petition of Matthew Armstrong and others of Tilsonburg ; also, the Petition of the Tilsonburg Methodist Church.

By Mr. Pardee, the Petition of John Pearce and others of Wheeler ; also, the Petition of William E. Phillips and others of Oil Springs ; also, the Petition of Joseph Stover and others of Sombra.

By Mr. Dempsey, the Petition of J. W. Anderson and others, of Rednerville ; also, the Petition of Rednerville Methodist Church.

By Mr. Wardell, the Petition of H. H. Crooker and others of Waterdown.

By Mr. Carnegie, the Petition of John Urquhart and others of Sturgeon Falls.

By Mr. Colquhoun, the Petition of the Reverend T. J. Atkins and others of Hamilton.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Township Council of the United Townships of Sherwood, Hagarty, Jones and Richards, praying certain amendments to the County Councils Act, respecting the constitution of County Councils.

Of Alexander Northey and others of Selwyn ; also, of A. Y. Edmonds and others of Simcoe ; also, of John Morley and others of Brinsley ; also, of J. Lampstead and others of Burlington , also, of William Penhall and others of Blyth ; also, of Arthur Darnley and others of Preston ; also, of W. J. Smith and others of Delhi ; also, of Cornelius Langford and others of Wellburn ; also of Leonard Hayter and others of Ilderton ; also, of S. A. Hopkins and others of Belleville ; also, of James Goodwin and others of Grimsby ; also, of Thomas Mollard and others of Grand Bend ; also, of Robert Agar and others of Nashville ; also, of A. M. Bowslaugh and others of Grimsby ; also, of James Maybee and others of Rawdon ; also, of Rawdon Methodist Church ; also, of Joseph Fee and others of Mount Pleasant ; also, of Oran Baker and others of Osnabruck Centre ; also, of A. T. Orth and others of Kleinburg ; also, of S. S. Rothwell and others of Britton ; also, of F. Hewitt and others of Toronto ; also, of the Reverend S. Sellery and others of Dundas ; also, of David Lawson and others of Copetown ; also, of A. S. Vogler and others of Ridgetown ; also, of James Fowlie and others of Audley, severally praying for the enactment of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Mr. McKay, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented their Eighth Report which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully examined the following Petitions and find the notices, as published in each case, sufficient.

Of the City Council of Toronto, praying that an Act may pass to amend the Act incorporating the Industrial Exhibition Association ; providing that Aldermen shall hold office for two years ; confirming Court House Agreement ; empowering Corporation to acquire and operate light and heating plant, and for other purposes.

Of the Windsor, Essex and Lake Shore Rapid Railway Company, praying that an Act may pass to increase the borrowing powers of the Company, and to authorize the issue of bonds.

Of the Township Council of Pelee, praying that an Act may pass empowering the Corporation to aid, by way of loan, the establishment of a Steamboat service between Pelee Island and the main shore, and to confirm the issue of debentures therefor.

Of the Ottawa Presbyterian Ladies College, praying that an Act may pass to amend the Act incorporating them, and to change the name to "The Ottawa Ladies College"

Of the Town Council of Sarnia, the Village Council of Point Edward and the Sarnia Street Railway Company, praying that an Act may pass to legalize and confirm By-law No. 554 of the Town of Sarnia and No. 184 of the Village of Point Edward, respecting the Sarnia Street Railway Company.

Of the Sandwich, Windsor and Amherstburg Railway Company, praying that an Act may pass to empower the Company to extend its line, and for other purposes.

Of the City Council of London, praying that an Act may pass to validate By-laws fixing the assessment of the McLary Manufacturing Company and George White, Sons & Co., Ltd., for a term of years, and to legalize and confirm By-laws Nos. 1938 to 1941 of the city.

Of the Town Council of Dresden, praying that an Act may pass to legalize and confirm By-law No. 277 granting a bonus to the Dresden Sugar Company, Limited.

Of the Village Council of Point Edward, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm certain By laws to assist G. A. Crosby & Co., and to exempt The Botsford-Jenks Company from taxes.

Of the Ontario Ship Railway Company, praying that an Act may pass to extend the time of commencement and completion of the undertaking.

Of the Sao Paulo Tramway Light and Power Company, Limited, praying that an Act may pass authorizing issue and sale of redeemable preference stock, and confirming mortgage bond issue.

Of James C. Dance and others of South Dorchester, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Aylmer, St. Thomas and London Electric Railway Company.

The Committee recommend that Rule No. 51 of this Honourable House be further suspended in this, that the time for receiving Petitions for Private Bills and the time for introducing Private Bills to this Honourable House be severally extended until and inclusive of Tuesday, the 4th day of February next.

Mr. McKay from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented their Ninth Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully examined the petition of Harriet Bacon and others of Toronto, praying that an Act may pass empowering the Trustees of the Estate of the late John Bacon, to employ funds in making permanent improvements to vacant lands and find that notice of the proposed application to this Legislature has been inserted five weeks in the "Ontario Gazette" and is now current, and that the notice has also appeared once in the "Toronto World" in the issue of January 18th.

The Committee considering that this is a matter of purely private importance, and that no public interests are concerned, would recommend that the Rule be suspended in this case and that the notices as published be held sufficient.

Mr. Harcourt, from the Standing Committee on Private Bills, presented their First Report which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered the following Bills and report the same with amendments respectively :—

Bill (No. 7), "To incorporate The Brantford Young Women's Christian Association."

Bill (No. 8), "Respecting the Synod of the Diocese of Niagara."

The Committee recommend that the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on the Bills on the ground that the same relate to religious institutions.

Mr. Dryden from the Standing Committee on Railways, presented their First Report which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered the following Bills and have prepared certain amendments thereto respectively :—

Bill (No. 29), To incorporate the Morrisburg Electric Railway Company, and

Bill (No. 16), Respecting the Pembroke Southern Railway Company.

The Committee have also amended the Preamble to Bill No. 29, so as to make the same conform with the facts as they appear to the Committee.

The Committee recommend that Rule No. 51 of this Honourable House be further suspended in this, that the time for receiving Petitions for Private Bills and the time for introducing Private Bills to this Honourable House be severally extended until and inclusive of Tuesday the 4th day of February next.

Ordered, That the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on Bill (No. 7), Brantford Young Women's Christian Association, and on Bill (No. 8), Synod of Niagara.

Ordered, That the time for receiving Petitions for Private Bills, be further extended until and inclusive of Tuesday the fourth day of February next.

Ordered, That the time for introducing Private Bills be extended until and inclusive of Tuesday the fourth day of February next.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 38), intituled "An Act respecting the Sao Paulo Tramway Light and Power Company, Limited."—Mr. Gross.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 32) intituled "An Act respecting the Town of Dresden."—Mr. Lee.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 14), intituled "An Act respecting the City of London."—Mr. Leys.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 48), intituled "An Act to confer certain powers on the Trustees of the Will of the late John Bacon."—Mr. Pyne.

Referred to the Commissioners of Estate Bills.

Bill (No. 40), intituled, "An Act respecting the Township of Pelee."—Mr. Auld.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 21), intituled "An Act respecting the City of Toronto"—Mr. Foy.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 6), intituled "An Act to incorporate the Aylmer, St. Thomas and London Electric Railway Company."—Mr. Robson.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 54), intituled "An Act respecting the Sandwich, Windsor and Amherstburg Railway Company."—Mr. McKee.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 18), intituled "An Act respecting the Village of Point Edward."—Mr. Pardee.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 22), intituled "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Ontario Ship Railway Company, and the Act, 60 Vic. cap. 94."—Mr. Conmee.

Referred to the Committee of Railways.

Bill (No. 41), intituled "An Act respecting the Windsor, Essex and Lake Shore Rapid Railway Company."—Mr. McKee.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 15), intituled "An Act respecting the Sarnia Street Railway Company."

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 20), intituled "An Act respecting the Presbyterian Ladies' College, Ottawa."—Mr. Lumsden.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 124), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act."—Mr. Smith.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Thursday next.

Bill (No. 125) intituled "An Act to amend the Public Schools Act."—Mr. Fallis.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Thursday next.

Bill (No. 126), intituled "An Act to amend the Voter's Lists Act."—Mr. Marter.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Thursday next.

Bill (No. 127), intituled "An Act to amend the Assessment Act."—Mr. Macdiarmid.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Thursday next.

Bill (No. 128), intituled "An Act to amend the Public Schools Act."—Mr. Harcourt.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Thursday next.

The Order of the Day for the House again to resolve itself into the Committee of Supply, having been read,

The Debate was resumed.

And, after some time, it was,

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned until To-morrow.

Mr Stratton presented to the House, by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor :—

Report of the Commissioners for the Queen Victoria Niagara Falls Park for the year 1901, with appendixes. (*Sessional Papers No. 6.*)

The House then adjourned at 10.20 p.m.

Wednesday, 29th January, 1902.

PRAYERS

3 O'CLOCK P. M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Gibson, the Petition of D. Charlesworth and others of Mount Forest.

By Mr. Latchford, the Petition of the Township Council of Sebastopol.

By Mr. Garrow, the Petition of the Township Council of Hullett; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Goderich; also, the Petition of Francis Cunningham and others, of Nile; also, the Petition of A. M. Treleaven and others, of Dungannon; also, the Petition of John W. Yeo and others, of Holmesville; also, the Petition of John Mear and others of Crewe.

By Mr. Davis, the Petition of John Dean and others, of Whitfield.

By Mr. Hill, the Petition of Samuel T. Clarke and others, of Chicago, U.S.A.

By Mr. Burt, the Petition of the Cainsville Methodist Church.

By Mr. Gallagher, the Petition of C. G. Clarke and others, of Kingston.

By Mr. Bowman, the Petition of the Town Council of Warton.

By Mr. Morrison, the Petition of Lester Ross and others, of Wallbridge.

By Mr. Barr, the Petition of James B. Reid and others, of Maples

By Mr. Battv (Leeds), the Petition of the Township Council of North Crosby ; also, the Petition of Norman Hutchinson and others, of Escott.

By Mr. Little, the Petition of C. E. Wright and others, of Simcoe County.

By Mr. Hoyle, the Petition of George Ivory and others, of Dalrymple.

By Mr. Carpenter, the Petition of the Kelvin Methodist Church.

By Mr. Dempsey, the Petition of Washington Marshall and others, of Picton ; also, the Petition of the Reverend R. T. Courtice and others, of Denborestville.

By Mr. Allen, the Petition of the Township Council of Wollaston ; also, the Petition of James English and others, of Rimington ; also, the Petition of John McCullough and others, of Frankford ; also, the Petition of Allen Bailey and others of Anson.

By Mr. Tucker, the Petition of Lawrence Fridham and others of Minto ; also, the Petition of John Fretwell and others, of Clifford.

By Mr. Lucas, the Petition of George Coulter, the elder, and others, of Lunenburg.

By Mr. Fallis, the Petition of Dennis White and others, of Elizabethville ; also, the Petition of Alexander Walsh and others, of Perrytown.

By Mr. Truax, the Petition of the Township Council of Kinloss ; also, the Petition of the Lucknow Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of J. A. Odum and others, of Lucknow ; also, the Petition of the Reverend A. J. Brown and others, of Whitechurch ; also, the Petition of the Reverend A. J. Ross and others, of Walkerton.

By Mr. Preston, the Petition of the Oxford Street Methodist Church of Brantford ; also, the Petition of James A. Wells and others, of Brantford ; also, the Petition of Thomas Rutherford and others, of Burford ; also, the Petition of Abraham Godwin and others, of Brantford.

By Mr. Boyd, the Petition of W. D. Rorke and others, of Meaford.

By Mr. Joynt, the Petition of T. A. Craig and others, of Kemptville.

By Mr. Powell, the Petition of J. D. Helmers and others, of Ottawa.

By Mr. Lumsden, the Petition of G. W. King and others, of Ottawa ; also, the Petition of the Dominion Methodist Church, Ottawa.

By Mr. Reid (Addington), the Petition of the Township Council of Camden.

By Mr. Carnegie, the Petition of the Township Council of Fenelon.

By Mr. Bridgland, the Petition of the Bracebridge Methodist Church.

By Mr. Hislop, the Petition of Edward Johnston and others, of Bluevale.

By Mr. Clarke, the Petition of Thomas W. Philip and others, of Precious Corners.

By Mr. Pardee, the Petition of John Capes and others, of Oamlachie ; also, the Petition of O. Cox and others, of Petrolea ; also, the Petition of D. N. McCamus and others, of Sarnia.

By Mr. Bowman, the Petition of Daniel Strang and others, of Allenford.

By Mr. Gross, the Petition of W. H. Edwards and others, of Pembroke ; also, the Petition of the Reverend A. J. Irwin and others of Port Colborne.

By Mr. McLaughlin, the Petition of George Cunningham and others, of Osnabruck Centre.

Mr. Auld, the Petition of the Township Council of North Gosfield.

By Mr. Barber, the Petition of J. W. Adamson and others, of Nassagaweya ; also the Petition of Ernest Alton and others, of Appleby.

By Mr. Douglas, the Petition of Smithfield Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of O. Dreury and others, of Smithfield.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the National Portland Cement Company, Limited, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Durham Switch Line Railway Company.

Of the Township Council of Etobicoke, praying that an Act may pass empowering Council, by By-law, to appoint and authorize the treasurer of the Municipality to levy and collect taxes ; to appoint the clerk, assessment commissioner, and to ratify By-law No. 61, and an agreement with the Toronto Suburban Railway Company.

Of the Town Council of Fort William, praying that an Act may pass to consolidate the floating debt, to confirm By-law, to validate sales of land for taxes, and to develop electric power.

Of the Hamilton Radial Electric Railway Company, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the Company to extend their line from Mimico to some point in the City of Toronto, and for other purposes.

Of the Township Council of Essa ; also, of the Township Council of Oso ; also, of the Township Council of Kitley ; also, of the Township Council of Bastard, severally praying certain amendments to the County Councils Act, respecting the constitution of County Councils.

Of Canboro' Methodist Church ; also, of John A. Swazie and others of Canboro' ; also, of E. Thompson and others of Paris ; also, of H. A. Humphries and others of Arthur ; also, of John W. Wales and others of Mount Forest ; also, of the Reverend George Washington and others of Kleinburg ; also, of Joseph Archer and others of Freeman ; also, of David Barnes and others of Townsend ; also, of F. Lucas and others of Walnut ; also, of George Davis and others of Laurel ; also, of William McClemin and others of Maxwell ; also, of Richard Heron and others of Feversham ; also, of W. W. Simkins and others of Newburgh ; also, of F. D. Hert and others of Toronto ; also, of Reverend Thomas R. Fydel and others of Smithville ; also, of S. Marshall and others of Binbrook ; also, of Joseph Leech and others of Gorrie ; also, of Frank Brown and others of West Flamboro, severally praying for the enactment of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Mr. Harcourt from the Standing Committee on Private Bills presented their second Report, which was read as follows and adopted:—

The Committee have carefully considered the following Bills and report the same with amendments respectively:—

Bill (No. 24), To amend the Act to incorporate Grace Hospital (Homœopathic).

Bill (No. 35), Respecting the First Colored Calvinistic Baptist Church in Toronto.

Bill (No. 13), To confirm By-law No. 348 of the Village of Paisley.

The Committee have also amended the preambles of the Bills, No. 35 and No. 13.

The Committee recommend that the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on Bill No. 35 on the ground that the same relates to a religious institution.

Ordered, That the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on Bill (No. 35), First Coloured Calvinistic Baptist Church.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 76), intituled “An Act to authorize the establishment of Coal Yards by Municipalities.”—Mr. Powell.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 77), intituled “An Act to amend the Municipal Act.”—Mr. Powell.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 78), intituled “An Act to amend the Municipal Act.”—Mr. Burt.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 79), intituled “An Act to amend the Municipal Act.”—Mr. Crawford.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Mr. Carnegie asked the following Question:—

Were the timber limits in the Townships of Laxton, Digby and Lutterworth offered for sale in September, 1901, sold. If not sold at the said date, have they since been disposed of, and at what price.

To which the Commissioner of Crown Lands replied as follows:—

No limits in the Township of Laxton were offered for sale by the Department.

Limits in Digby and Lutterworth were offered for sale at the timber sale in September last. As no bids were made for them at that sale, they were not sold. Since then 5 miles of the limit in Digby have been sold for \$106 25 bonus, and $6\frac{3}{4}$ miles in Lutterworth for \$101.25.

Mr. McLaughlin asked the following Question:—

Is it the intention of the Government to place in the Estimates this year, any amount for George O. Hays re discovery of gold in the Township of Marmora.

And the Commissioner of Crown Lands replied in the following words :—

The claim of Mr. G. O. Hays dates back to November, 1867. It was investigated and disallowed by the following Commissioners of Crown Lands :

The Hon. S. Richards,
The Hon. R. W. Scott,
The Hon. T. B. Pardee,
The Hon. A. S. Hardy,
The Hon. J. M. Gibson,
The Hon. E. J. Davis,

and by The Hon. Sir Oliver Mowat when Premier and Attorney-General.

Under these circumstances, the Government does not intend to place any sum in the Estimates for Mr. Hays.

Mr. Little asked the following Question :—

What was the revenue derived from the registration of live stock in the Province during the year 1901, mentioning each class and breed separately.

To which the Minister of Agriculture replied :—

The registration of live stock is under the direction of the live stock associations representing the different breeds, and the Province derives no revenue from this source

Mr. Eilber asked the following Question :—

Were any permits, license or licenses granted to catch fish, by seine, at the outlet of Lake Huron, at or near the mouth of the St. Clair River, near Point Edward, during the year 1901. If so, to whom, and what were the fees charged for such permit or license. What species of fish were permitted to be caught.

And the Commissioner of Public Works replied as follows :—

Two licenses were issued during 1901, to catch fish by seine at Point Edward, near the outlet of Lake Huron.

The licenses were issued to M. A. Hitchcock and to Shaver & McIntosh.

A fee of \$15 was charged for each license.

All kinds of fish were permitted to be caught except Bass and Maskinonge.

On motion of Mr. Joynt, seconded by Mr. Tucker,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return, shewing, 1. The amount of bonuses or subsidies voted to Railways by this Legislature, each year during 1898, 1899 1900 and 1901. 2. The names of each railway receiving the same and the amount voted to each during that time. 3. The amount paid to each railway during each of such years, and the condition or conditions upon which such payments were made.

On motion of Mr. Matheson, seconded by Mr. Miscampbell,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return, of a copy of all evidence taken before the Royal Commission appointed to enquire concerning the prices of various text-books authorized to be used in the Public and High Schools of Ontario, on which said Commission based its report, dated 10th January, 1898.

The following Bill was read the second time :—

Bill (No. 118), To amend the Ontario Medical Act.

Referred to a Select Committee to be hereafter named.

Mr. Stratton presented to the House, by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor :—

Report of the Inspector of Division Courts for the year 1901. (*Sessional Papers No. 33.*)

Also—The Birds of Ontario in relation to Agriculture. (*Sessional Papers No. 56.*)

The House then adjourned at 6 30 p.m.

Thursday, 30th January, 1902,

PRAYERS.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Dryden, the Petition of James Hortop and others of Kinsale; also, the Petition of John Seldon and others of Greenwood.

By Mr. Davis, the Petition of William Hounscome and others of Bond Head; also, the Petition of Bond Head Methodist Church.

By Mr. Garrow, the Petition of Joseph Goldthorpe and others of Goderich.

By Mr. Gross, the Petition of the Fort Erie Ferry Railway Company; also, the Petition of Niagara Falls Methodist Church.

By Mr. Barber, the Petition of R. J. Gurney and others of Acton.

By Mr. Brower, the Petition of the Springfield Methodist Church.

By Mr. Pattullo, the Petition of William Cook and others of Washington.

By Mr. Pettypiece, the Petition of the Wyoming Methodist Church.

By Mr. Barr, the Petition of William Dynes and others of Grange.

By Mr. Holmes, the Petition of the Reverend J. D. McLachlan and others of Vankleek Hill.

By Mr. Hoyle, the Petition of Newton Umphrey and others of Udora.

By Mr. Jessop, the Petition of Andrew Dobbing and others of St. Catharines.

By Mr. Allen, the Petition of the Frankford Methodist Church.

By Mr. Pyne, the Petition of Albert E. Round, the younger, and others ; also, the Petition of Harry O. Dawson and others, all of Toronto.

By Mr. Foy, the Petition of W. J. Hanna and others of Toronto.

By Mr. Beatty (Leeds), the Petition of the Escott Circuit Methodist Church.

By Mr. Dempsey, the Petition of George A. Ostrander and others of Picton.

By Mr. Boyd, the Petition of the Georgian Bay Division No. 202 S. O. T.

By Mr. McLaughlin, the Petition of A. Halliwell and others of Cornwall ; also, the Petition of M. Steen and others of Newington.

By Mr. Crawford, the Petition of E. Ruff and others of Toronto.

By Mr. Hislop, the Petition of Robert McKay and others of Ethel.

By Mr. Leys, the Petition of the Southern Congregational Church, London.

By Mr. Carscallen, the Petition of the Victoria Avenue Baptist Church, Hamilton ; also, the Petition of Sovereign Council R. T. of Temperance, Hamilton.

By Mr. Pardee, the Petition of J. H. Milliken and others of Lucasville.

By Mr. McKay, the Petition of William Palmer and others of Bowmanville.

By Mr. Graham, the Petition of the W. C. T. U., Brockville ; also, the Petition of T. E. Burke and others of Lynn.

By Mr. Kidd, the Petition of the Township Council of Fitzroy ; also, the Petition of the Nepean Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of the Reverend W. K. Shortt and others of Westboro ; also, the Petition of John Dilworth and others of North Gower.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Nepigon Railway Company ; praying that an Act may pass to amend Act incorporating ; for extension of time for commencement and completion, and with power to extend line.

Of Charles R. Dunsford and others of Morden, Manitoba, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the New Ontario Central Railway Company.

Of the County Council of Essex, praying that the Bill before the House respecting the Windsor, Essex and Lake Shore Railway Company may become law.

Of the Township Council of Denbigh ; also, of the Township Council of Beckwith ; also, of the Township Council of Hungerford ; also, of the Township Council of Mersea ; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Wolford, severally praying certain amendments to the County Councils Act, respecting the constitution of County Councils.

Of the Waterloo County Temperance Association praying for the enactment of a prohibitory liquor law, for machinery towards carrying out the same effectively, and against any Referendum.

Of William F. Henderson and others of Pickering ; also, of S. Mitchell and others of Seagrave ; also, of H. Meyer and others of Bethesda ; also, of John Anderson and others of Kelvin ; also, of Reverend R. B. Rowe and others of Cainsville ; also, of James Gardiner and others of Chatham ; also, of William Healey and others of Goldsmith ; also, of F. Prosser and others of Windermere ; also, of Walter Armstrong and others of Tilsonburg ; also, of Richard Laurie and others of Bright ; also, of M. W. Townsend and others of Woodstock ; also of W. F. Roach and others of Hillside ; also, of W. E. Thomas and others of Niagara Falls ; also, of S. H. Doane and others of Wellandport ; also, of Reverend T. J. Atkins and others of Hamilton ; also, of William O. Smith and others of Beaconsfield ; also, of John Urquhart and others of Sturgeon Falls ; also, of J. W. Anderson and others of Rednerville ; also, of H. H. Crooker and others of Waterdown ; also, of Rednerville Methodist Church ; also, of Joseph Stover and others of Sombra ; also, of William E. Phillips and others of Oil Springs ; also, of John Pierce and others of Wheeler ; also, of the Tilsonburg Methodist Church ; also, of David W. Young and others of Barton ; also, of Hugh Dempsey and others of Ottawa ; also, of William Skuce and others of Janetville ; also, of Charles Hammond and others of Prescott ; also, of Gordon Baker and others of Winchester Springs ; also, of A. Nash and others of Morrisburg, severally praying for the enactment of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Mr. McKay, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented their Tenth Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully examined the following Petitions, and find the notices as published in each case sufficient :—

Of the Town Council of Fort William, praying that an Act may pass to consolidate the floating debt of the Town : to confirm a By-law ; validate sales of land for taxes and to develop electric power ;

Of the National Portland Cement Company, Ltd., praying that an Act may pass to incorporate The Durham Switch Line Railway Company ;

Of the Township Council of Etobicoke, praying that an Act may pass empowering the Council, by by-law, to appoint their treasurer to levy and collect taxes, and for other purposes ;

Of the Town Council of Goderich, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm a By-law granting aid to establish a Summer Hotel ;

Of David Lloyd and others, of Newmarket, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate a Company with power to generate and transmit electricity for light, heat and power ;

Of the City Council of Ottawa, praying that an Act may pass ratifying and confirming By-law authorizing the corporation to accept offer of Andrew Carnegie *re* establishment of Public Library ;

Of the City Council of Ottawa, praying that an Act may pass reducing the number of Aldermen to be elected in each ward, and for other purposes ;

Of Frederick G. Rumba'1 and others, of London, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the London Railway Company.

Mr. McKay from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders presented their Eleventh Report, which was read as follows and adopted.

The Committee have carefully examined the Petition of the Toronto Stock Exchange, praying that an Act may pass to amend their Act of Incorporation and find that notice of the proposed application to this Legislature has been inserted in the "Ontario Gazette" in its issues of the 18th and 25th days of January instant and is now current; they also find that the notice appeared in the issues of "The Globe," "The Mail and Empire," "The Toronto World," "The Evening News," "The Toronto Star" and "The Evening Telegram" of the 18th day of January instant;

The Committee are of the opinion that, as this is not a matter of public importance, sufficient publicity has been given, and would recommend the suspension of the Rule requiring six weeks notice in this case, and that the notices as published be held sufficient.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 25), intituled "An Act respecting the Town of Goderich."—Mr. Garrow.
Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 50), intituled "An Act to incorporate the London Railway Company."—Mr. Robson.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 45), intituled "An Act to incorporate the Durham Switch Line Railway Company."—Mr. Jamieson.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 44), intituled "An Act to incorporate the Petrolea Rapid Railway Company."—Mr. Pardee.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 37), intituled "An Act respecting the Town of Fort William."—Mr. Conmee

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 49), intituled "An Act to amend the Act of Incorporation of the Toronto Stock Exchange."—Mr. Foy.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 80), intituled "An Act respecting Expert Witnesses."—Mr. Garrow.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Tuesday next.

Bill (No. 81), intituled "An Act to provide for the appointment of a Board of Provincial Arbitrators for certain purposes."—Mr. Kribs.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 82), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act."—Mr. Richardson.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 83), intituled "An Act to amend the Drainage Act."—Mr. Auld.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

The Order of the Day for the House again to resolve itself into the Committee of Supply, having been read,

The Debate was resumed,

And, after some time, it was,

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned until Tuesday next.

On motion of Mr. Gibson, seconded by Mr. Ross.

Ordered, That the name of Mr. Lee be substituted for that of Mr. Carpenter, on the Standing Committee on Municipal Law.

Mr. Stratton presented to the House :—

Return to an Order of the House of the first day of March, 1901, for a Return shewing the number of fruit trees infested by the San José Scale, condemned to be destroyed by the Inspector or Inspectors in the County of Lincoln, the number actually destroyed ; the number condemned, but not destroyed ; the names and residence of the owners of those not destroyed and the reason why not destroyed. (*Sessional Papers No. 57.*)

The House then adjourned at 6 p. m.

Friday, 31st January, 1902.

PRAYERS.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Speaker informed the House, That he had issued his Warrant to the Clerk of the House for a new Writ for the Election of a Member to serve in the present Legislature for the following Electoral District :—

The City of Kingston.

Mr. Speaker also informed the House,

That the Clerk had laid upon the Table the following Certificate :—

PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

This is to certify that in virtue of a Writ of Election, dated twenty-first day of January, 1902, issued by His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, and addressed to James Duncan Thompson, Esquire, Returning Officer for the Electoral District of the City of Kingston for the election of a Member to represent the said Electoral District of the City of Kingston, in the Legislative Assembly of this Province, in the room of William Harty, Esquire, who had resigned, Edmund John Barker Pense, Esquire, has been returned as elected accordingly, as appears by the Return to the said Writ of Election, dated the thirtieth January, 1902, which is now lodged of record in my office.

TORONTO, 31st January, 1902.

CHARLES CLARKE

Clerk L. A.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table:—

By Mr. Gibson, the Petition of the Township Council of West Luther; also, the Petition of the Mount Forest Council R. T. of T.

By Mr. Garrow, the Petition of the Victoria Street Methodist Church, Goderich; also, the Petition of John Kirkpatrick and others of Goderich.

By Mr. Stratton, the Petition of the Peterborough Division S. O. T.; also, the Petition of G. N. Noble and others of Peterborough.

By Mr. Conmee, the Petition of the Town Council of Rat Portage.

By Mr. Barber, the Petition of the Acton Methodist Church.

By Mr. Douglas, the Petition of the Township Council of Murray.

By Mr. Hislop, the Petition of the Township Council of Howick.

By Mr. Pettypiece, the Petition of the Wyoming R. T. of T.

By Mr. Barr, the Petition of C. W. Watch and others, of Shelburne.

By Mr. Mutrie, the Petition of A. F. Heather and others, of Guelph.

By Mr. Crawford, the Petition of the Victoria Council, No. 1, R. T. of T., of Toronto.

By Mr. Wardell, the Petition of the Waterdown Methodist Church.

By Mr. Smith, the Petition of Lodge No. 68, Good Templars, of Inglewood.

By Mr. Lumsden, the Petition of Edward A. Hill and others, of Ottawa.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of Samuel T. Clarke and others, of Chicago, U. S. A., praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Lake Superior, Long Lake and Albany River Railway Company.

Of the Town Council of Wiarton, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm By law No. 203, granting a bonus to the Wiarton Beet Sugar Manufacturing Company, Limited, and to authorize issue of debentures.

Of C. E. Wright and others, of Simcoe County, praying that the maintenance of the Barberry Shrub may be prohibited.

Of the Township Council of Sebastopol; also, of the Township Council of Goderich; also, of the Township Council of Hullett; also, of the Township Council of North Gosfield; also, of the Township Council of Fenelon; also, of the Township Council of Camden; also, of the Township Council of Kincross; also, of the Township Council of Wollaston; also, of the Township Council of North Crosby, severally praying certain amendments to the County Councils Act, respecting the constitution of County Councils.

Of O. Dreury and others of Smithfield; also, of the Reverend J. S. Ross and others of Walkerton; also, of D. Charlesworth and others of Mount Forest; also, of James B. Reid and others of Maples; also, of Norman Hutchinson and others of Escott; also, of Thomas Rutherford and others of Burford; also, of Ernest Alton and others of Appleby; also, of J. W. Adamson and others of Nassagaweya; also, of John W. Yeo and others of Holmesville; also, of John Dean and others of Whitefield; also, of Cainsville Methodist Church; also, of the Reverend A. J. Irwin and others of Port Colborne; also, of John Meary and others of Orewa; also, of A. M. Treleaven and others of Dungannon; also, of Francis Cunningham and others of Nile; also, of Smithfield Methodist Church; also, of G. H. Powell and others of Kingston; also, of George Cunningham and others of Osnabruck Centre; also, of F. A. Spafford and others of Sidney; also, of W. H. Edwards and others of Pembroke; also, of Daniel Strang and others of Allenford; also, of D. N. McCamus and others of Sarnia; also, of O. Cox and others of Petrolea; also, of John Capes and others of Camlachie; also, of Bracebridge Methodist Church; also, of Dominion Methodist Church, Ottawa; also, of J. H. McCarthy and others of Plainville; also, of G. W. King and others of Ottawa; also, of J. D. Helmer and others of Ottawa; also, of T. A. Craig and others of Kemptville; also, of Edward Johnston and others of Bluevale; also, of W. D. Rorke and others of Meaford; also, of Abraham Goodwin and others, also, of James A. Willis and others, all of Brantford; also, of Oxford Street Methodist Church, Ottawa; also, of the Reverend A. J. Brown and others of Whitchurch; also, of J. A. Odlum and others of Lucknow; also, of Lucknow Methodist Church; also, of Alexander Walsh and others of Perrytown; also, of Dennis White and others of Elizabethville; also, of George Coulter, the elder, of Lonee; also, of John Fretwell and others of Clifford; also, of Lawrence Pridham and others of Minto; also, of Allen Bailey and others of Anson; also, of John McCoullough and others of Frankford; also, of George Ivory and others of Dalrymple; also, of the Kelvin Methodist Church; also, of Washington Marshall and others of Picton; also, of R. T. Courtice and others of Demorestville; also, of Thomas Elliott and others of Rimington, severally praying for the enactment of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Mr. Harcourt from the Standing Committee on Private Bills presented their Third Report, which was read as follows and adopted:—

The Committee have carefully considered :—

Bill (No. 43), To incorporate the Toronto Canoe Club, and report the same with certain amendments.

The Committee have also amended the preamble of the Bill.

The following Bill was introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 84), intituled “ An Act to amend the Trustee Act.”—Mr. Barr.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Tuesday next.

On Motion of Mr. Ross, seconded by Mr. Gibson,

Ordered, That the following Members do compose the Select Committee on Bill (No. 118), To amend the Medical Act :—Messieurs Gibson, Garrow, Graham, McKay, Pardee, Preston, Jessop, Pyne, Hoyle, Matheson, and Carscallen.

Mr. Carnegie asked the following Question :—

How many students have attended each of the following institutions since 1895 :
The Eastern Dairy School ; Guelph Dairy School, and Western Dairy School.

To which the Minister of Agriculture replied as follows :—

Two hundred and twenty-seven (227) students have attended the Western Dairy School from 1895 to date. Since 1895, 534 students have attended the Guelph Dairy School ; and 615 students have attended the Eastern Dairy School. The latter number includes students who have taken two or more courses.

The following Bills were severally read the second time :

Bill (No. 102), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 103), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 109), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referrrd to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 114), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 121), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

The House then adjourned at 4 10 p.m.

Monday, 3rd February, 1902.

PRAYERS.

3 O'CLOCK P. M.

Edmund John Barker Pense, Esquire, Member for the City of Kingston, having taken the Oaths and subscribed the Roll, took his seat.

Mr. Speaker informed the House :

That the Clerk had received from the Judges appointed to inquire into and report upon Estate Bills, their Report in the following case :—

Bill (No 1), To enable the Surrogate Court of the County of Oxford to grant probate of the writing signed by the late John Dunlop as and for his last Will.

The Report was then read by the Clerk at the Table as follows :—

OSGOODE HALL,

TORONTO, 1st February, 1902.

SIR,—We, The Honourable William Glenholme Falconbridge, Chief Justice of the King's Bench ; and The Honourable William Purvis Rochfort Street, one of the Justices of the High Court of Justice, two of the Commissioners of Estates Bills, have the honour to report to the House their opinion on Bill (No. 1), "An Act to enable the Surrogate Court of the County of Oxford to grant probate of the writing signed by the late John Dunlop as and for his last Will."

It appears from the preamble to the Bill, that John Dunlop, deceased, died intestate. The paper writing of which probate is sought is not a Will, and is of no legal or binding effect whatever. Upon his death, intestate, his widow and all his children became beneficially entitled to his Estate, subject to the payment of his debts. We have not been supplied with a copy of the writing referred to, but it appears from the petition attached to the Bill that provision of some sort is contained in the writing, for the support of John Dunlop, one of the children of the deceased, who is a lunatic. In passing this Bill, the Legislature would be making a Will for a man who died intestate, and substituting a different provision for John Dunlop, the alleged lunatic, in place of that to which he is by law entitled. We think that a dangerous precedent would be established were this Bill to become Law. We therefore beg to report that, in our opinion, it is not reasonable that the Bill submitted to us, should pass into Law.

We have the honour to be, Sir,

Your obedient servants,

W. G. FALCONBRIDGE,
W. P. R. STREET.

CHARLES OLARKE, ESQ.,
Clerk Legislative Assembly,
Toronto.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Harcourt, the Petition of the Reverend R. Railton and others of Fenwick.

By Mr. Marter, the Petition of the Northern W. C. T. U. of Toronto.

By Mr. Matheson, the Petition of the Town Council of Perth.

By Mr. Pattullo, the Petition of the Township Council of Blandford.

By Mr. Little, the Petition of the Township Council of Innisfil.

By Mr. Crawford, the Petition of John Mara and others, of Toronto ; also, the Petition of the Queen City Council, No. 156, R. T. of T., Toronto.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Fort Erie Ferry Railway Company, praying that an Act may pass to extend the time for completion of road and for power to extend the same.

Of Joseph Goldthorpe and others, of Goderich, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Huron, Bruce and Middlesex Electric Railway Company.

Of the Township Council of Fitzroy, praying certain amendments to the County Councils Act, respecting the constitution of County Councils.

Of Niagara Falls Methodist Church ; also, of R. T. Gurney and others of Acton ; also, of William Cook and others of Washington ; also, of the Springfield W. C. T. U. ; also, of Newton Umphrey and others of Udora ; also, of William Dynes and others of Grange ; also, of Andrew Dobbing and others of St. Catharines ; also, of Wyoming Methodist Church ; also, of Frankford Methodist Church ; also, of Bond Head Methodist Church ; also, of Albert E. Round, the younger, and others of Toronto ; also, of the Reverend J. D. McLachlan and others of Vankleek Hill ; also of Escott Methodist Church ; also, of W. J. Hanna and others of Toronto ; also, of George A. Ostrander and others of Picton ; also, of Georgian Bay Division, No. 202 S. O. T. ; also, of M. Steen and others of Newington ; also, of A. Halliwell and others of Cornwall ; also, of E. Ruff and others of Toronto ; also, of Robert McKay and others of Ethel ; also, of the Southern Congregational Church, London ; also, of Victoria Avenue Baptist Church, Hamilton ; also, of Sovereign Council R. T. of Temperance, Hamilton ; also, of J. H. Milliken and others of Lucasville ; also, of the Reverend T. E. Burke and others of Lynn ; also, of Nepean Methodist Church ; also, of William Palmer and others of Brownsville ; also, of the Brockville W. C. T. U. ; also, of John Dilworth and others of North Gower ; also, of the Reverend W. K. Shortt and others of Westboro ; also, of Harry O. Dawson and others of Toronto ; also, of William Hounscome and others of Bond Head ; also, of John Selden and others of Greenwood ; also, of James Hortop and others of Kinsale, severally praying for the enactment of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

The following Bills were severally read the second time :—

Bill (No. 7), To incorporate the Brantford Young Women's Christian Association.
Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 8), Respecting the Synod of the Diocese of Niagara.
Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 29), To incorporate the Morrisburg Electric Railway Company.
Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 16), Respecting the Pembroke Southern Railway Company.
Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 24), To amend the Act to incorporate Grace Hospital (Homœopathic).
Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 13), To confirm By-law No. 348 of the Village of Paisley.
Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 108), To amend the Public Schools Act.
Referred to the Legal Committee.

Mr. Pyne asked the following Question :—

Has the Government any control in disposing of Natural Gas produced in the County of Welland. Is the gas being now exported from Welland to the United States.

To which the Attorney-General replied as follows :—

The Government has no control over the disposition of Natural Gas produced in the County of Welland. The exportation of same is a subject of Dominion jurisdiction. Gas is now being exported from Welland to the United States and licenses of occupation have been granted by the Crown under which pipes may be laid across the Niagara River.

Mr. Whitney asked the following Question :—

Was Alexander Merner, who was appointed Returning Officer for the election of a Member of this House for North Waterloo at an election held on the 30th day of October and the 7th day of November, 1900, appointed by Order in Council, and if so, what was the date of the Order in Council. If not appointed by Order in Council, by whose direction and authority was his name inserted in the writ of election, and on what date and by whom was the decision arrived at, to insert his name in the said writ of Election.

And the Attorney-General replied :—

That the Statute does not require Returning Officers to be appointed by Order in Council. They are appointed by His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which is done upon the recommendation of his advisers. The Act provides that every Writ for the election of a member shall be addressed to the Sheriff, or to the Registrar of Deeds, or to one of the Sheriffs or Registrars of Deeds for the electoral district, or some portion thereof, for which the election is to take place, and who shall be the Returning Officer at the election. It also provides that where a Sheriff or Registrar is dead, or been removed, or

has resigned, and no successor appointed, the Writ of election which might otherwise have been addressed to the Sheriff or Registrar, shall be addressed to such other person as the Lieutenant Governor may appoint to be Returning Officer. There was neither a Sheriff nor a Registrar in office at the date in question, but Mr. Alexander Merner was acting Registrar at the time of his appointment.

The House then adjourned at 3 40 p. m.

Tuesday, 4th February, 1902.

PRAYERS.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Speaker informed the House :

That the Clerk had received from the Judges appointed to inquire into and report upon Estate Bills, their Report in the following case :—

Bill (No. 48), To confer certain powers on the Trustees of the Will of the late John Bacon.

The Report was then read by the Clerk, at the Table, as follows :—

The undersigned having examined the Bill, report their opinion thereon as follows:—

It is proposed by the Bill to confer upon the Trustees power in their discretion to invest a sum not exceeding \$30,000 in the improvement of the vacant lands in the City of Toronto, belonging to the estate, by erecting houses or stores thereon.

These lands are vested in the Trustees, upon trust, to sell and convert them into money and to invest the proceeds in certain named classes of securities. It will be seen, therefore, that it is proposed to disregard the provision of the trust, and also to permit the investment of the moneys of the estate in a different manner from that in which the testator has directed that they shall be invested.

The Settled Estates Act (R.S.O., Cap. 71, Section 16), however, enables the High Court of Justice, if a proper case is made out for permitting it to be done, to authorize the mortgaging of lands forming part of a settled estate in order to raise money for building upon or improving them, or the sale of parts of the lands for the purpose of building upon or improving the remainder of them. The conferring upon Trustees of such powers as are asked for by this Bill, would seem to be in accordance with the policy which underlies the legislation referred to.

While the undersigned are of opinion that it would be better, if the Legislature is of the opinion, that in proper cases such powers as are asked for should be conferred upon Trustees, to amend the Settled Estates Act, so as to enable the Court to deal with such applications in the same way as the applications mentioned in section 16 are now dealt

with—they are nevertheless of opinion, as the Court has not now that power, that upon the same hypothesis, and assuming the preamble of the Bill to be proved, it is reasonable that the Bill do pass into a law.

The undersigned are also of opinion, that the provisions of the Bill, with the amendments noted thereon, are proper for carrying the purposes of it into effect.

OSGOODE HALL,

3rd February, 1902.

W. R. MEREDITH, C.J.C.P.

W. G. FALCONBRIDGE, C.J.K.B.

CHARLES CLARKE, Esq.,

Clerk Legislative Assembly,

Toronto.

Mr. Speaker also informed the House :

That the Clerk had received from the Judges appointed to inquire into and report upon Estate Bills, their Report in the following case :—

Bill (No. 27), To enable the Trustees of the Jane Laycock Orphanage to sell certain lands in the County of Brant.

The Report was then read by the Clerk, at the Table, as follows :—

The undersigned, to whom was referred Bill (No. 27), "An Act to enable the Trustees of the Jane Laycock Orphanage to sell certain lands in the County of Brant," having considered the Bill, report as follows :—

Assuming the allegations contained in the preamble to be proved, it is reasonable that the Bill do pass into a law.

The provisions of the Bill seem proper for the purpose of carrying its object into effect.

The undersigned would suggest the desirability of a law of general application being passed, to enable the Court to authorize the sale of lands held upon charitable trusts when a proper case is made out for permitting them to be sold.

OSGOODE HALL,

3rd February, 1902.

W. R. MEREDITH, C.J.C.P.

W. G. FALCONBRIDGE, C.J.K.B.

TO CHARLES CLARKE, Esq.,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly,

Toronto.

Ordered, That Bill (No. 48), To confer certain powers on the Trustees of the Will of the late John Bacon, and Bill (No. 27), To enable the Trustees of the Jane Laycock Orphanage to sell certain lands in the County of Brant, be referred to the Committee on Private Bills, with instructions to consider the same, with reference to the suggestions of the Commissioners of Estates Bills thereon.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Dryden, the Petition of Joseph Hodgson and others of Balsam ; also, the Petition of J. W. Hogle and others of Brougham.

By Mr. Davis, the Petition of the Township Council of Carlow ; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Anderdon ; also, the Petition of James Ivory and others of Toronto.

By Mr. Harcourt, the Petition of the Fenwick Methodist Church.

By Mr. Hill, the Petition of A. G. Hudson and others of Davisville ; also, the Petition of Edward Sanderson and others of Buttonville.

By Mr. Carpenter, the Petition of Thomas Smith and others of Rockford ; also, the Petition of Villa Nova Council R. T. of T. ; also, the Petition of Rockford Methodist Church.

By Mr. McLaughlin, the Petition of the Toronto Paper Company, Limited ; also, the Petition of Willis Hall and others of Moulinette ; also, the Petition of the Cornwall Baptist Church ; also, the Petition of Lunenburg, Newington and Pleasant Valley Presbyterian Church ; also, the Petition of William O. West and others of Northfield ; also, the Petition of the Reverend L. Beaton and others of Moose Creek.

By Mr. Marter, the Petition of the Olivet Congregational Church, Toronto.

By Mr. Jessop, the Petition of the Queen Street Baptist Church, St. Catharines.

By Mr. Gallagher, the Petition of the Township Council of Bedford.

By Mr. Gross, the Petition of the Port Robinson Division S. O. T.

By Mr. Hoyle, the Petition of the Township Council of Thorah ; also, the Petition of John S. Humphrey and others of Vallentyne ; also, the Petition of Jacob J. Dafee and others of Zephyr ; also, the Petition of the Udora Congregational Church.

By Mr. Smith, the Petition of Malton Division S. O. T.

By Mr. Dickenson, the Petition of S. H. Nelson and others of Pontypool ; also, the Petition of Elwood Howell and others of Jerseyville.

By Mr. Farwell, the Petition of James Bagley and others of Sault Ste. Marie ; also, the Petition of Korah Methodist Church.

By Mr. Hislop, the Petition of the Reverend D. Rogers and others of Fordwich.

By Mr. Richardson, the Petition of Frederick E. Baker and others of Box Grove.

By Mr. Crawford, the Petition of the Crawford Street Methodist Church, Toronto.

By Mr. Leys, the Petition of the First Congregational Church, London ; also, the Petition of the First Methodist Church, London.

By Mr. Preston, the Petition of the Brantford Council No. 24, R. T. of T. ; also, the Petition of James Lake and others of Brantford.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Town Council of Rat Portage, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm By-law No. 316, *re* issue of debentures, and for other purposes.

Of the Township Council of Murray ; also, of the Township Council of Howick ; also, of the Township Council of West Luther, severally praying certain amendments to the County Councils Act, respecting the constitution of County Councils.

Of the Acton Methodist Church ; also, of the Peterborough Division S. O. T., also, of G. N. Noble and others of Peterborough ; also, of Mount Forest R. T. of T. ; also, of Wyoming R. T. of T. ; also, of C. W. Watch and others of Shelburne ; also, of A. F. Heather and others of Guelph ; also, of Victoria Council of R. Templars, Toronto ; also, of Waterdown Methodist Church ; also, of Victoria Street Methodist Church, Goderich ; also, of Edward A. Hill and others of Ottawa ; also, of Inglewood Lodge of Good Templars, No. 68 ; also, of John Kirkpatrick and others of Goderich, severally praying for the enactment of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Mr. McKay, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented their Twelfth Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully examined the following Petitions and find the Notices as published in each case sufficient :—

Of the Hamilton, Ancaster and Brantford Railway Company, praying that an Act may pass to amend the Act incorporating them, and for other purposes ;

Of Joseph Goldthorpe, and others, of Goderich, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Huron, Bruce and Middlesex Railway Company ;

Of William Simpson, and others, praying that an Act may pass to amend the Act incorporating the Essex and Kent Radial Railway Company, respecting the time of building and operation ;

Of the Town Council of Toronto Junction, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm certain By-laws and agreements in reference to the Union Stock Yards Company, Limited, and for other purposes ;

Of Charles R. Dunford, and others, of Morden, Manitoba, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the New Ontario Central Railway Company.

The Committee recommend that Rule No. 51 of this Honourable House be further suspended in this that the time for receiving Petitions for Private Bills and the time for introducing Private Bills, to this Honourable House, be severally extended until and inclusive of Tuesday, the 11th day of February instant.

Mr. McKay, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented their Thirteenth Report which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully examined the Petition of Thomas E. Bradburn, and others, of Peterborough, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Peterborough Radial Railway Company, and find that notice of the proposed application to this Legislature was published in the "Ontario Gazette" in the issues of January 18th and 25th last past and is now current, and that the notice also appeared in the issues of "The Peterborough Daily Examiner" of the 17th, 18th, 22nd and 25th days of January, "The Peterborough Review" of the 17th, 21st and 24th days of January, and "The Peterborough Times" of the 18th, 20th, 21st, 22nd, 23rd, 24th and 25th days of January last past, and is now current in each of the papers.

The Committee have also had produced before them a certified copy of a Resolution adopted by the Council of the Town of Peterborough at a meeting held on the 28th day of January, 1902, in support of the application to this Legislature and accepting the advertised notices as sufficient; also a certified copy of a Resolution passed at a meeting of Council of the County of Peterborough held on the 29th day of January, 1902, accepting as sufficient notice to it the notices published in the "Ontario Gazette" and daily papers above referred to.

In view of the foregoing the Committee consider that all parties interested have had ample opportunity of becoming aware of the proposed legislation and would recommend the suspension of the Rule in this case and that the notices as published be held sufficient.

Mr. McKay from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders presented their Fourteenth Report which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully examined the Petition of the Town Council of Wiarton, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm By-law No. 203, granting bonus to Wiarton Beet Sugar Manufacturing Company, Limited, and to authorize issue of debentures and find that notices of the proposed application to this Legislature have appeared in the "Ontario Gazette," "The Wiarton Canadian," and "The Wiarton Echo" in the issues of the 25th day of January last past, and are now current, and the Committee have had produced before them a Declaration shewing that the same will be continued for six weeks. The Declaration also sets forth that owing to the very recent passing of the By-law it was impossible to insert the notices at an earlier date. The Declaration also sets forth that fifty posters containing copies of the notice were conspicuously posted in the Post Office, hotels, stores, offices, schools and other public places of the Town of Wiarton.

In view of the foregoing, the Committee are of the opinion that sufficient publicity has been given to the matter and would therefore recommend the suspension of the Rule and that the notices as published be held sufficient.

Mr. Harcourt from The Standing Committee on Private Bills presented their Fourth Report which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered the following Bills and report the same without amendments :—

Bill (No. 20), " Respecting the Presbyterian Ladies' College, Ottawa."

Bill (No. 14), " Respecting the City of London."

Bill (No. 40), " Respecting the Township of Pelee."

The Committee have also considered the following Bills and report the same with amendments respectively :—

Bill (No. 15), " Respecting the Sarnia Street Railway Company."

Bill (No. 32), " Respecting the Town of Dresden."

Bill (No. 18), " Respecting the Village of Point Edward."

Bill (No. 17), " Respecting the London Street Railway Company."

The Committee recommend that the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on Bill (No. 20), on the ground that the Bill relates to an Educational Institution.

The Committee also recommend that the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on Bill (No. 24), " To amend the Act to incorporate Grace Hospital (Homœopathic)," on the ground that the same relates to a Charitable Institution.

Mr. Dryden from the Standing Committee on Railways presented their Second Report which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered the following Bills and have prepared certain amendments thereto respectively :—

Bill (No. 5), To amend the Act incorporating the Haliburton, Whitney and Mattawa Railway Company ; and Bill (No. 31), To amend the Act incorporating the Woodstock, Thames Valley and Ingersoll Electric Railway Company ;

The Committee have also carefully considered Bill (No. 4), Respecting the Port Dalhousie, St. Catharines and Thorold Electric Street Railway Company and report the Bill without amendment ;

The Committee recommend that Rule No. 51 of this Honourable House be further suspended in this that the time for receiving Petitions for Private Bills, and the time for introducing Private Bills to this Honourable House be severally extended until and inclusive of Tuesday, the 11th day of February, instant.

Mr. Graham from the Standing Committee on Printing presented their First Report, which was read as follows :—

The Committee recommend that the following documents be printed :—

Public Accounts of the Province of Ontario. (*Sessional Papers No. 1.*)

The Estimates, 1902. (*Sessional Papers No. 2.*)

Report of the Queen Victoria Niagara Falls Park. (*Sessional Papers No. 6*)

Report of Education Department. (*Sessional Papers No. 12.*)

Report of Toronto University. (*Sessional Papers No. 13.*)

Report of the Farmers' Institutes. (*Sessional Papers No. 25.*)

Report of Ontario Fairs and Exhibitions. (*Sessional Papers No. 26.*)

Report of Game Commission. (*Sessional Papers No. 30.*)

Report of Inspector of Division Courts. (*Sessional Papers No. 33.*)

Report of Inspector of Legal Offices. (*Sessional Papers No. 34.*)

Report of the Provincial Secretary and Registrar. (*Sessional Papers No. 37.*)

Report of the Institute for the Blind. (*Sessional Papers No. 41.*)

Report of the Institute for Deaf and Dumb. (*Sessional Papers No. 42.*)

Report of the Inspector of Liquor Licenses. (*Sessional Papers No. 44.*)

Report of the Municipal Auditor. (*Sessional Papers No. 45.*)

Return from Records of Elections. (*Sessional Papers No. 46.*)

Compilation of Imperial Statutes. (*Sessional Papers No. 49.*)

Birds of Ontario in relation to Agriculture. (*Sessional Papers No. 56.*)

The Committee recommend that the following documents be not printed:—

Report of the Librarian. (*Sessional Papers No. 47.*)

Account of Official Guardian. (*Sessional Papers No. 50*)

Copy of Order in Council *re* Commutation of Fees Local Master Guelph. (*Sessional Papers No. 51.*)

Copy of Order in Council *re* Fees Paid Junior Judge County of Huron. (*Sessional Papers No. 52.*)

Return *re* appearance and spread of Smallpox. (*Sessional Papers No. 53.*)

Return *re* Asylums for Insane, sums paid by private parties. (*Sessional Papers No. 55.*)

The Committee recommend that 1,500 copies of the Act respecting Brewers and Distillers and other Licenses be printed for distribution.

The Committee recommend that the King's Printer be authorized to have printed, the distribution list so that each member may have a copy.

Resolved, That this House doth concur in the First Report of the Committee on printing.

Ordered, That the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on Bill (No. 20), Presbyterian Ladies College, Ottawa, and on Bill (No. 24), Grace Hospital, Homœopathic.

Ordered, That the time for receiving Petitions for Private Bills be further extended until and inclusive of Tuesday the eleventh day of February instant.

Ordered, That the time for introducing Private Bills be further extended until and inclusive of Tuesday the eleventh day of February instant.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 46), intituled “An Act respecting the Essex and Kent Radial Railway Company.”—Mr. McKee.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 57), intituled “An Act to incorporate the Northern Electric Company.”—Mr. Conmee.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 51), intituled “An Act to incorporate the Peterborough Radial Railway Company.”—Mr. Blezard.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 34), intituled “An Act respecting the Hamilton, Ancaster and Brantford Railway Company.”—Mr. Dickenson.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 59), intituled “An Act respecting the Township of Etobicoke.”—Mr. Hill.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 23), intituled “An Act respecting the Town of Toronto Junction.”—Mr. Hill.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 129), intituled “An Act to amend the Land Titles Act.”—Mr. Gibson.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Thursday next.

Bill (No. 130), intituled “An Act to establish a Government Printing Bureau.”—Mr. Kribs.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Thursday next.

Bill (No. 131), intituled “An Act to amend the Municipal Act.”—Mr. Conmee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Thursday next.

Bill (No. 132), intituled “An Act to amend the Workmen’s Compensation Act.”—Mr. Conmee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Thursday next.

Bill (No. 133), intituled “An Act to amend the Loan Corporations Act.”—Mr. Preston.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Thursday next.

Bill (No. 134), intituled “An Act to amend the Municipal Act.”—Mr. Brown.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Thursday next.

Bill (No. 135), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act."—Mr. Brown.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Thursday next.

The Order of the Day for the House again to resolve itself into the Committee of Supply having been read.

The Debate was resumed,

And, after some time, it was,

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned until To-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Ross, seconded by Mr. Harcourt,

Ordered, That the name of Mr. Pense be added to the Standing Committees on Private Bills, Railways and Municipal Law and that the name of Mr. Robson be added to the Standing Committee on Railways.

On motion of Mr. Pattullo, seconded by Mr. McKay,

Ordered, That Bill (No. 31), Respecting the Woodstock, Thames Valley and Ingersoll Electric Railway Company be recommitted to the Standing Committee on Railways for further consideration and report.

The House then adjourned at 10.20 p.m.

Wednesday, 5th February, 1902.

PRAYERS.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Ross, the Petition of W. C. Richards and others of Middlemiss.

By Mr. Latchford, the Petition of David H. Patterson and others of Alba.

By Mr. Stratton, the Petition of Harmony Lodge I.O.G.T., of Peterborough.

By Mr. Harcourt, the Petition of E. H. Bean and others of Attercliffe.

By Mr. Truax, the Petition of the County Council of Bruce ; Thomas Dixon and others of Walkerton ; the Children's Aid Society of Bruce and the Bruce General Hospital Trust.

By Mr. Barber, the Petition of Milton R. T. of T.

By Mr. Conmee, the Petition of Donald C. Cameron and others of Rat Portage.

By Mr. McKay, the Petition of the Township Council of Norwich.

By Mr. Dempsey, the Petition of Wellington Methodist Church.

By Mr. Auld, the Petition of the Township Council of Colchester South.

By Mr. McDonald, the Petition of W. C. T. U. of Lancaster ; also, the Petition of Burns' Presbyterian Church, Martintown.

By Mr. Tucker, the Petition of Harriston Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of Wolseley Council No. 75 R. T. of T. ; also the Petition of W. J. Ward and others of Palmerston ; also, the Petition of Minto Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of Wolseley Council of R. T. of T. ; also, the Petition of Palmerston Presbyterian Church.

By Mr. Morrison, the Petition of G. S. Buckingham and others of Maxwell.

By Mr. Fallis, the Petition of H. B. Kenny and others of Milbrook ; also, the Petition of William Coulter and others of Fleetwood.

By Mr. Pettypiece, the Petition of G. M. Andrews and others of Wyoming ; also, the Petition of Watford Methodist Church.

By Mr. Powell, the Petition of Capitol Council R. T. of T., Ottawa.

By Mr. Dempsey, the Petition of Northport Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of the Main Street Methodist Church, Picton.

By Mr. Lucas, the Petition of the Chatsworth Methodist Church.

By Mr. Gross, the Petition of W. E. B. McKenzie and others of Chippawa.

By Mr. Munro, the Petition of the Cobden Methodist Church.

By Mr. Hoyle, the Petition of the Thorndale Methodist Church.

By Mr. Holmes, the Petition of the Walpole Methodist Church.

By Mr. Thompson, the Petition of William E. Spring and others of Allenwood.

By Mr. McKay, the Petition of Otterville Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of Otter Council No. 34 R. T. of T.

By Mr. McLaughlin, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Moulinette.

By Mr. Monteith, the Petition of the Baptist Church, Fullarton.

By Mr. Leys, the Petition of Empress Avenue Methodist Church, London.

By Mr. Truax, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Teeswater.

By Mr. Brown, the Petition of Listowell R. T. of T.

By Mr. Pardo, the Petition of Jeanette's Creek Church, Tilbury.

By Mr. Mutrie, the Petition of Elora Methodist Church.

By Mr. Duff, the Petition of the Township Council of Nottawasaga.

By Mr. Burt, the Petition of the County Council of Brant.

By Mr. Mutrie, the Petition of the City Council of Guelph.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Town Council of Perth, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm By-laws numbers 869 and 870.

Of the Township Council of Innisfil ; also, of the Township Council of Blandford, severally praying certain amendments to the County Councils Act, respecting the constitution of County Councils.

Of the Northern W. O. T. U., Toronto ; also, of the Reverend R. Railton and others of Fenwick ; also, of John Mara and others of Toronto ; also, of Queen City Council R. T. of T, No 156, severally praying for the enactment of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 56), intituled "An Act respecting the establishment of the Carnegie Library in the City of Ottawa."—Mr. Lumsden.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 85), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act."—Mr. Pettypiece.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 86), intituled "An Act to amend the Agriculture and Arts Act."—Mr. Dryden.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Mr. McLaughlin asked the following Question :—

Is it the intention of the Government to dispense with the services of one of the Liquor License Inspectors in the County of Stormont and Cornwall, this year.

To which the Provincial Secretary replied as follows :—

Up to the present it has not been considered advisable, in the interests of the proper enforcement of the Liquor License law, to dispense with the services of one of the License Inspectors in the County of Stormont and Cornwall. The subject is still under consideration.

Mr. McLaughlin asked the following Question :—

What number of guards were employed at the Central Prison during the year 1901, and what number are employed at present.

And the Provincial Secretary replied as follows :—

There were employed at the Central Prison during the year 1901, an average of 29 disciplinary and industrial guards.

The number has not been increased this year, although two workmen in the Industrial Department have been designated as industrial guards, to clothe them with necessary authority to maintain discipline.

Mr. Carnegie asked the following Question :—

What varieties of timber are the licensees permitted to cut in the Algonquin Park.

To which the Commissioner of Crown Lands replied :—

That on limits in Algonquin Park sold prior to the year 1892, licensees have authority to cut pine timber, and for a period of 30 years from the 30th April, 1900, spruce, hemlock, black and yellow birch, cedar, black ash and tamarack.

On limits sold at the sale of 1892, the pine timber only, can be cut under authority of license.

Mr. Kribs asked the following Question :—

Is it the intention of the Government to provide means whereby the Town of Galt will be protected against the Spring floods.

And the Treasurer replied as follows :—

The Government appointed an Engineer over a year ago to examine the Grand River at the Town of Galt, and to report upon the causes of the Spring floods. That Report has been submitted for the consideration of the Government, and is now before them for such action as may be considered in the public interest.

Mr. Little asked the following Question :—

How many Counties have been assisted by the Province under the Act for the improvement of Public Highways.

To which the Treasurer replied as follows :—

I only know through the public press, and the visits of the Good Roads Commissioner, that several Counties—at least six or seven—have been considering the advisability of availing themselves of the provisions of the Act for the improvement of Public Highways. So far as I know, no by-law has yet been passed asking for the appropriation, to which a County would be entitled under the Act.

On motion of Mr. Barr, seconded by Mr. Hoyle.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return shewing the number of persons confined in the different Gaols of the Province on January 14th, 1902, as indigent persons unable to support themselves, and the length of time each person has been confined. Also, shewing the number of insane persons confined in the different Gaols of the Province on January 14th, 1902; the length of time so confined, and the reason therefor.

Mr. McLaughlin moved, seconded by Mr. Joynt.

That there be laid before this House a Return of copies of all correspondence *re* License Commissioners in the County of Stormont and Cornwall during the year 1901.

And a Debate having arisen, the Motion was, by leave of the House, withdrawn,

On motion of Mr. Little, seconded by Mr. Duff:—

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of a copy of all correspondence between the Department of Agriculture, and outside parties, in reference to the evil effects that the barberry shrub has, on the growth of grain in this Province.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill No. 113), To amend the Act respecting Assignments and Preferences of Insolvent Persons having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of (Bill No. 96), To amend the Assessment Act having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The following Bills were severally read the second time :—

Bill (No. 110), To further amend the Voters' List Act.

Referred to the Legal Committee.

Bill (No. 115), To amend the Assessment Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 78), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 35), Respecting the First Coloured Calvinistic Baptist Church, in Toronto,
Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 43), To incorporate the Toronto Canoe Club.
Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 20), Respecting the Presbyterian Ladies' College, Ottawa.
Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 14), Respecting the City of London.
Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 40), Respecting the Township of Pelee.
Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 15), Respecting the Sarnia Street Railway Company.
Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 32), Respecting the Town of Dresden.
Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 18), Respecting the Village of Point Edward.
Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 17), Respecting the London Street Railway Company.
Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 5), To amend the Act incorporating the Haliburton, Whitney and Mattawa Railway Company.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 4), Respecting the Port Dalhousie, St. Catharines and Thorold Electric Street Railway Company, Limited.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee, severally to consider the following Bills :—

Bill (No. 8), Respecting the Synod of the Diocese of Niagara.

Bill (No. 24), To amend the Act to incorporate Grace Hospital (Homœopathic).

Bill (No. 13), To confirm By-law No. 348 of the Village of Paisley.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Lumsden reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the several Bills without Amendments.

Ordered, That the Bills reported, be severally read the third time To-morrow.

The Order for the Day for the House again to resolve itself into the Committee of Supply, having been read,

The Debate was resumed.

And, after some time,

Mr. Miscampbell moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Carscallen,

That all the words in the Motion after the word "That" be struck out and the following substituted therefor "in all future agreements made between the Commissioners of the Queen Victoria Niagara Falls Park and any other person, or persons, power shall be reserved to the Provincial Government to, at any time, put a stop to the transmission of electricity and pneumatic power, beyond the Canadian Boundary—and that in the opinion of this House, the waters of the Niagara River and its tributaries, as well as the waters of other streams, where necessary, should, at the earliest moment and subject to existing agreement, be utilized directly by the Provincial Government, in order that the latter may generate and develop electricity and pneumatic power for the purposes of light, heat and power, and furnish the same to municipalities in this Province at cost."

And a Debate having ensued upon the amendment, it was,

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

The House adjourned at 10.25 p. m.

Thursday, 6th February, 1902.

PRAYERS.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Gibson, the Petition of the Church and Temperance Committees of Mount Forest.

By Mr. Harcourt, the Petition of Amos Pyatt and others of Abingdon.

By Mr. Latchford, the Petition of the Township Council of Brudenell and Lyndoch ; also, the Petition of Xavier Plaren and others of Northcote.

By Mr. Marter, the Petition of William Sparks and others ; also, the Petition of Edwin Potts and others, all of Toronto.

By Mr. Barber, the Petition of K. H. Munn and others of Trafalgar ; also, the Petition of W. J. McHugh and others of Hornby.

By Mr. Charlton, the Petition of the Township Council of Woodhouse ; also, the Petition of Port Dover Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of F. M. Wees and others, of Walsingham Centre.

By Mr. Blezard, the Petition of the Town Council of Peterborough.

By Mr. Little, the Petition of the Township Council of West Gwillimbury ; also, the Petition of Thornton Division, S.O.T.

By Mr. Tucker, the Petition of the Reverend Thomas W. Jackson and others, of Elora.

By Mr. Crawford, the Petition of Excelsior Division, No. 28, S.O.T., of Toronto.

By Mr. Allen, the Petition of the Township Council of Monteagle ; also, the Petition of George Hollings and others, of Huntingdon ; also, the Petition of Rawdon Circuit Methodist Church.

By Mr. Carpenter, the Petition of the Township Council of Middleton.

By Mr. Dickenson, the Petition of George Bush and others, of Binbrook.

By Mr. Smith, the Petition of the Malton Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of the Burnhamthorpe Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of Trinity Methodist Church, Malton ; also, the Petition of Trinity Methodist Sunday School of Malton ; also, the Petition of Caledon East Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of the Malton Methodist Sunday School.

By Mr. Robson, the Petition of the Belmont Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of the Reverend John Veale and others of Dorchester Station.

By Mr. Hoyle, the Petition of John Probyn and others of Thorndale.

By Mr. Graham, the Petition of the Town Council of Brockville.

By Mr. Holmes, the Petition of the Reverend D. D. McDonald and others of Caledonia.

By Mr. Boyd, the Petition of Crescent Council No. 144 R. T. of T., Owen Sound.

By Mr. Richardson, the Petition of E H Keys and others of Elia ; also, the Petition of Markham Methodist Church.

By Mr. McLaughlin, the Petition of the Cornwall Y. M. C. A. ; also, the Petition of Edgar Fellerby and others of Lunenburg.

By Mr. Breithaupt, the Petition of Allen W. Woelfly and others of Berlin.

By Mr. Gross, the Petition of the Friends of Prohibition, Chippewa.

By Mr. Duff, the Petition of the Town Council of Collingwood.

By Mr. Malcolm, the Petition of the Y. P. S. O. E. of Bervie ; also, the Petition of W. B. Vance and others of Bervie.

By Mr. McKay, the Petition of the Town Council of the Town of Tilsonburg.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Toronto Paper Company, Limited, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm By-law No. 679, of the Township of Cornwall.

Of the Township Council of Anderdon ; also, of the Township Council of Carlow ; also, of the Township Council of Thorah ; also, of the Township Council of Bedford, severally praying certain amendments to the County Councils Act, respecting the constitution of County Councils.

Of the Crawford Street Methodist Church, Toronto ; also, of Fenwick Methodist Church ; also, of James Ivory and others of Toronto ; also, of Edward Sanderson and others of Buntville ; also, of A G Hudson and others of Davisville ; also, of Rockford Methodist Church ; also, of Villa Nova Council, R. T. of T. ; also, of Thomas Smith and others of Rockford ; also, of Willis Hall and others of Moulinette ; also, of Lunenburg, Newington and Pleasant Valley Presbyterian Church ; also, of Cornwall Baptist Church ; also, of William O. West and others of Northfield ; also, of Brantford Council, No. 24, R. T. of T. ; also, of Joseph Hodgson and others of Balsam ; also, of Udora Methodist Church ; also, of S. H. Neilson and others of Stony Creek ; also, of Elwood Howell and others of Jerseyville ; also, of James Bagley and others of Sault Ste. Marie ; also, of Korah Methodist Church ; also, of James Lake and others of Brantford ; also, of Jacob J. Dafoe and others of Zephyr ; also, of the First Methodist Church, London ; also, of the Reverend L. Beaton and others of Moose Creek ; also, of the First Congregational Church, London ; also, of Frederick E. Baker and others of Boxgrove ; also, of the Reverend D. Rogers and others of Fordwich ; also, of Molton Division, S. O. T. ; also, of Port Robinson Division, S. O. T. ; also, of Olivet Congregational Church, Toronto ; also, of Queen Street Methodist Church, St. Catharines ; also of J. W. Hogle and others of Brougham, severally praying for the enactment of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Mr. Harcourt, from the Standing Committee on Private Bills, presented their Fifth Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered the following Bills and report the same without amendment :

Bill (No. 25), "Respecting the Town of Goderich."

Bill (No. 49), "To amend the Act of Incorporation of the Toronto Stock Exchange."

The Committee have also considered the following Bills and report the same with amendments respectively :

Bill (No. 12), "Respecting the Town of Peterborough"

Bill (No. 38), "Respecting the Sao Paulo Tramway, Light and Power Co., Limited."

Bill (No. 3), "To enable Louis Gagné to Practise Medicine and Surgery in certain Townships.

The Committee have also amended the preambles of Bills, Nos. 12 and 3.

The Committee recommend that the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on Bill (No. 8), "To enable the Incorporated Synod of the Diocese of Huron to provide for the Election of Select Vestries of Boards of Management," of the Session of 1901, on the ground that the Bill relates to a Religious Institution.

The Committee recommend that Rule, No. 51 of this Honorable House be suspended in this, that the time for receiving Reports of Committees on Private Bills be extended until and inclusive of Friday the 21st day of February instant.

Mr. Dryden from the Standing Committee on Railways presented their Third Report which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered Bill (No. 31), To amend The Woodstock, Thames Valley and Ingersoll Electric Railway Company, recommitted to the Committee by this House for further consideration and report, and have prepared certain amendments thereto, and have also amended the Preamble to the Bill, so as to make the same conform with the facts as they were made to appear to the Committee ;

The Committee recommend that Rule No. 51 of this Honourable House be suspended in this, that the time for receiving Reports of Committees on Private Bills be extended until and inclusive of Friday the 21st day of February instant.

Ordered, That the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on Bill (No. 8), Diocese of Huron, of the Session of 1901.

Ordered, That the time for receiving Reports from Committees on Private Bills be extended until and inclusive of Friday the twenty-first day of February instant.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 55), intituled "An Act respecting the City of Ottawa."—Mr. Powell.
Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 64), intituled "An Act to incorporate the Huron, Bruce and Middlesex, Electric Railway Company."—Mr. Garrow.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 87), intituled "An Act to amend the Toll Roads Expropriation Act, 1901."—Mr. Leys.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 88) intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act."—Mr. Leys.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 89), intituled "An Act to amend the Mechanics and Wage-Earners Lien Act."—Mr. Leys.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 136), intituled "An Act to amend the Public Parks Act."—Mr. Lumaden.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 137), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act."—Mr. Preston.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

The Order of the Day for resuming the Adjourned Debate on the Motion, and Amendment, that the House do again resolve itself into the Committee of Supply, having been read,

The Debate was resumed.

And after some time, it was

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned until To-morrow.

Mr. Stratton presented to the House, by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor :—

Report of the Clerk of Forestry, of the Province, for the year 1900-1901. (*Sessional Papers No. 4.*)

Also—Return to an Order of the House of the twenty-ninth day of January, 1902, for a Return, shewing, 1. The amount of bonuses or subsidies voted to Railways by this Legislature, each year during 1898, 1899, 1900 and 1901. 2. The names of each railway receiving the same and the amount voted to each during that time. 3. The amount paid to each railway during each of such years, and the condition or conditions upon which such payments were made. (*Sessional Papers No. 58.*)

Also—Return to an Order of the House, of the fifth day of February instant, for a Return shewing the number of persons confined in the different Gaols of the Province on January 14th, 1902, as indigent persons unable to support themselves, and the length of time each person has been confined. Also, shewing the number of insane persons confined in the different Gaols of the Province on January 14th, 1902; the length of time so confined, and the reason therefor. (*Sessional Papers No. 59.*)

The House then adjourned at 10 45 P. M.

Friday, 7th February, 1902.

PRAYERS.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Gibson, the Petition of Arthur Council No. 122, R. T. of T. ; also, the Petition of H. W. Clarke and others of Arthur.

By Mr. Dryden, the Petition of the Greenwood Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of Brougham S. O. T., No. 104.

By Mr. Latchford, the Petition of Northcote Division, S. O. T.

By Mr. Garrow, the Petition of Wingham Enterprise Council No. 111, R. T. of T.

By Mr. Davis, the Petition of Chalmer's Church, Mount Albert.

By Mr. Stratton, the Petition of R. W. Kelly and others of Baillieboro.

By Mr. Douglas, the Petition of the Township Council of Brighton.

By Mr. Dickenson, the Petition of the Regular Baptist Church, Binbrook.

By Mr. McLaughlin, the Petition of the Township Council of Cornwall.

By Mr. Pardo, the Petition of C. J. Irwin and others, of Wallaceburg ; also, the Petition of Emerson Teskey and others, of Dealtown ; also, the Petition of Gere Methodist Church, Dover.

By Mr. Marter, the Petition of E. A. Brownlee and others, of Toronto ; also, the Petition of the Faculty of McMaster University.

By Mr. Matheson, the Petition of Rideau Council, No. 500, R. T. of T., Smith's Falls.

By Mr. Blezard, the Petition of W. G. Spencer and others, of Norwood.

By Mr. Smith, the Petition of John Armstrong and others, of Halton ; also, the Petition of Elmbank S.O.T., No. 299.

By Mr. Preston, the Petition of C. Vuran and others, of Oakland.

By Mr. Lumsden, the Petition of No Surrender Lodge, No. 29, I.O.G.T., Ottawa.

By Mr. Loughrin, the Petition of the Mattawa Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of P. Richard and others, of Mattawa.

By Mr. Thompson, the Petition of Allenwood S. O. T.

By Mr. Mutrie, the Petition of the Guelph Council, No. 127, R. T. of T. ; also, the Petition of T. W. S. McNiven and others, of Guelph.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the County Council of Bruce ; Thomas Dixon and others of Walkerton ; The Children's Aid Society of Bruce and the Bruce General Hospital Trust, praying that an Act may pass to ratify a certain agreement.

Of Donald C. Cameron and others, of Rat Portage, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Canada Western Railway Company.

Of the Township Council of Colchester South ; also, of the Township Council of Norwich ; also, of the Township Council of Nottawasaga, severally praying certain amendments to County Councils Act, respecting the constitution of County Councils.

Of the County Council of Brant, praying certain amendments to the Municipal Act, respecting the maintenance of Bridges.

Of the City Council of Guelph, praying certain amendments to the Municipal Act, respecting power of municipalities to pass by-laws prohibiting spitting on sidewalks.

Of Harmony Lodge I. O. G. T. of Peterborough ; also, of Wellington Methodist Church ; also, of Milton Council R. T. of T. : also, of W. C. Richards and others of Middlemiss ; also, of David H. Patterson and others of Alba ; also, of E. H. Bean and others of Attercliffe ; also, of Lancaster W. C. T. U. ; also, of Burns Church Presbyterian, of Martintown ; also, of Robert Burns and others of Harriston ; also, of R. T. of T. No. 75, of Harriston ; also, of W. J. Ward and others of Palmerston ; also, of Minto Methodist Church ; also, of Wolseley Council R. T. of T. of Harriston ; also, of Palmerston Presbyterian Church ; also, of G. S. Buckingham and others of Maxwell ; also, of H. B. Kenny and others of Millbrook ; also, of William Coulter and others of Fleetwood ; also, of G. W. Andrews and others of Wyoming ; also, of the Watford Methodist Church ; also, of Capital Council R. T. of T. Ottawa ; also, of John Smith and others of Northport ; also, of Main Street Methodist Church, Picton ; also, of Ohatsworth Methodist Church ; also, of W. E. B. McKenzie and others of Chippawa ; also, of George A. Wallace and others of Ponsonby ; also, of Henry Rowland and others of Tilbury ; also, of Listowell R. T. of T. ; also, of G. T. Kerr and others of Teeswater ; also, of R. Graham and others of Snake River ; also, of Thorndale Methodist Church ; also, of J. W. Jackson and others of Balmoral ; also, of L. J. Bram and others of Cheapside ; also, of William Machell and others of Jarvis ; also, of William E. Spring and others of Allenwood ; also, of R. A. Bell and others of Otterville ; also, of Otter Council No. 34, R. T. of T. ; also, of Moulinette Methodist Church ; also, of Fullarton Methodist Church ; also, of Empress Avenue Methodist Church, London ; also, of M. Bowman and others of London, severally praying for the enactment of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

The following Bill was introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 138), intituled “ An Act to amend the Election Act.”—Mr. Thompson.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Tuesday next.

Mr. Boyd asked the following Question :—

Has the Manitoulin and North Shore Railway Company made application to have the time extended for the building of the road. If so, what time do they ask for, and if extended, for how long.

To which the Treasurer replied :—

That no application had been made.

Mr. Carscallen asked the following Question :—

What action, if any, was taken by the Government upon a certain petition relating to an amendment to the Game Laws and the close season for hunting hares, presented to the Commissioner of Public Works in the month of October, 1900. If no action was taken, why. Is there any objection to granting the prayer of the petitioners.

And the Commissioner of Public Works replied :—

That no action was taken upon the Petition, for the reason that a change in the close season was not considered advisable. The principal objection to making the change desired is, that Hares during the winter months are in poor condition and unfit for food, and the hunting for them in the close season for partridge and quail, would, it is feared, result in the destruction of these birds.

Mr. Hoyle asked the following Question :—

What amount of fees has been received, during the year 1901, from each legal office, for which the fees have been commuted. 2. What was the amount of the respective commutations for each office.

And the Attorney-General replied as follows :—

The following list shows the fees which have been received during the year 1901 from each legal office for which fees have been commuted, as well as the amount of the respective commutations for each office :—

COUNTY.	OFFICER.	FEES.	COMMUTATION.
Brant.....	Judge Hardy, Surrogate Judge.....	\$ 914 75	\$ 588 00
	" " Local Master acting.....	112 50	577 00
Dufferin.....	Judge McCarthy, Surrogate Judge.....	185 30	168 00
Elgin.....	Judge Hughes, " ".....	760 55	681 00
Frontenac.....	Judge Price, " ".....	973 95	752 00
Hastings	Judge Lazier, " ".....	619 90	500 00
	S. S. Lazier, Local Master and Dep Registrar	1510 10	3000 00
Huron.....	Judge Masson, Surrogate Judge.....	1163 25	1000 00
Leeds & Grenville..	Judge McDonald, " ".....	728 75	600 00
Lennox and Addington.....	Judge Wilkinson " ".....	177 10	400 00
Northumberland, &c.	Judge Benson, " ".....	816 50	840 00
Perth.....	Judge Barron, " ".....	609 70	873 00
	" " Local Master.....	393 07	850 00
Renfrew.....	Judge Deacon, Surrogate Judge.....	157 40	264 00
Simcoe.....	Judge Ardagh " ".....	584 90	585 00
Victoria.....	Judge Dean, " ".....	242 55	500 00
	" " Local Master.....	78 70	900 00
Wentworth.....	J. E. O'Reilly, Local Master & Dep. Registrar	1283 63	3500 00
Toronto.....	J. W. Curry, Crown Attorney.....	3800 00	3500 00

It will be seen that in the majority of cases the fees were somewhat in excess of the commutation, though the results vary in different years, sometimes exceeding and sometimes falling under the commutation. The commutations are based on the five years' earnings of the office prior to the date of the order in council providing for commutation.

In the cases of some of the Local Masters where the principal falling off in the fees appears to have taken place, the Masters were old Court of Chancery officers. The practice of the Courts has been so changed in many respects that the fees of the officers were much less than formerly.

Mr. Whitney asked the following Question :—

1. What was the cost of the Normal School at London. 2. What number of teachers are employed and what is the aggregate of their salaries. 3. What is the number of other employes and the aggregate of their salaries. 4. What has been the average attendance of students.

To which the Minister of Education replied as follows :—

Cost of London Normal School, \$96,448 47;

Aggregate of salaries of teachers (6), \$4,850.

Four other employes, \$2,100.

Average attendance, 5 Sessions, 96.

Attendance present Session, 107.

Mr. Boyd asked the following Question :—

On what date was the agreement entered into with N. O. Smith, of Sault Ste. Marie, for the printing of Pamphlets entitled "East Algoma." How many were printed, and where, and what became of them.

To which the Treasurer replied :

That the agreement with N. O. Smith, of Sault Ste. Marie, for the printing of pamphlets was made by the late Premier, the Hon. A. S. Hardy, sometime, I think, in 1897, but as it was a verbal agreement, the exact date cannot be given.

Ten thousand of these pamphlets were printed, 6,000 of which were delivered to the Director of Colonization, the other 4,000 being distributed by the local Crown Lands Agents and other parties at Sault Ste. Marie and by the New Ontario Colonization Association. Those received here, were distributed with other pamphlets descriptive of the different land settlements in the Province, in answer to inquiries as to lands, and at the Toronto Exhibition and in other ways. A few of the pamphlets are still undistributed, and are being used.

Mr. Boyd asked the following Question :

How many *bona fide* settlers have the Algoma Railway Company settled along their road since the passing of the Act known as the Land Grants Act to Algoma Central Railway Company. How many houses have been erected on, or adjacent to, their lands.

And the Commissioner of Crown Lands replied as follows :—

1. No lands have as yet been appropriated to the Algoma Central Railway Company under their land grant Act, owing to the surveys not being completed, but coming under the definition of "settler" in section 6 of the Act respecting Aid by Land Grant to the Algoma Central Railway Company, there are employed as artisans, operators and regular *employees* of the railway company, mining company and industrial companies, as nearly as can be estimated, 2,000 men, not including 2,000 men engaged in construction work on the railway.

2. Two hundred and fifty houses have been erected besides other buildings for the accommodation of their workmen.

On motion of Mr. Joynt, seconded by Mr. McDonald,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return shewing :—

1. Who are the appointees under the Fisheries Department over the Rideau waters.
2. The name and the amount of salary of each overseer and sub-overseer between Kingston and Ottawa.
3. The local jurisdiction of each overseer and sub overseer separately as to limit of waters.
4. The number of licenses which have been granted during 1900 and 1901.
5. The name of each licensee and the amount paid for license individually.
6. The other sources of revenue under the Fisheries Department from fishing and otherwise for Ontario, from the Rideau waters.
7. The total revenue and expenditure in connection with said waters under the Department.

The following Bills were severally read the second time :—

Bill (No. 119), To amend the Act respecting Councils of Conciliation and Arbitration.

Referred to the Legal Committee.

Bill (No. 124), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 126), To amend the Voters' Lists Acts.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 79), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 82), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 84), To amend the Trustee Act.

Referred to the Legal Committee.

The House resolved itself into a Committee, severally to consider the following Bills:—

Bill (No. 7), To incorporate the Brantford Young Women's Christian Association.

Bill (No. 35), Respecting the First Coloured Calvinistic Baptist Church, in Toronto.

Bill (No. 43), To incorporate the Toronto Canoe Club.

Bill (No. 20), Respecting the Presbyterian Ladies' College, Ottawa.

Bill (No. 14), Respecting the City of London.

Bill (No. 40), Respecting the Township of Pelee.

Bill (No. 49), To amend the Act of Incorporation of the Toronto Stock Exchange.

Bill (No. 16), Respecting the Pembroke Southern Railway Company.

Bill (No. 4), Respecting the Port Dalhousie, St. Catharines and Thorold Electric Street Railway Company, Limited.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Lumsden reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the several Bills without Amendments.

Ordered, That the Bills reported, be severally read the third time on Monday next.

Mr. Stratton presented to the House:—

Return to an Order of the House of seventh day of February instant for a Return shewing, 1. Who are the appointees under the Fisheries Department over the Rideau waters. 2. The name and the amount of salary of each overseer and sub overseer between Kingston and Ottawa. 3. The local jurisdiction of each overseer and sub overseer, separately, as to limit of waters. 4. The number of licenses which have been granted during 1900 and 1901. 5. The name of each licensee and the amount paid for license individually. 6. The other sources of revenue under the Fisheries Department from fishing and otherwise for Ontario, from the Rideau waters. 7. The total revenue and expenditure in connection with said waters under the Department. (*Sessional Papers No. 60*)

The House then adjourned at 4.55 p.m.

Monday, 10th February, 1902.

PRAYERS.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table:—

By Mr. Ross, the Petition of Middlemiss Methodist Church; also, the Petition of the Wardville Methodist Church.

By Mr. Dryden, the Petition of Oshawa Council No. 47 R. T. of T.

By Mr. Davis, the Petition of the Township Council of Sophiasburg ; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Kaladar, Anglesea and Effingham.

By Mr. Carpenter, the Petition of the Bealton Council No. 468 R. T. of T.

By Mr. Farwell, the Petition of the Pacific and Atlantic Railway Company.

By Mr. McLaughlin, the Petition of the Township Council of Cornwall.

By Mr. Jessop, the Petition of the Beamsville Methodist Church.

By Mr. Smith, the Petition of the Malton Presbyterian Sabbath School.

By Mr. Colquhoun, the Petition of Zion Tabernacle Methodist Church, Hamilton.

By Mr. Crawford, the Petition of John A. Jackson and others, of Toronto.

By Mr. Pattullo, the Petition of Oxford Council, No. 261, R. T.

By Mr. Russell, the Petition of the Canifton Methodist Church.

By Mr. Eilber, the Petition of the Seaforth Methodist Church.

By Mr. Holmes, the Petition of the Township Council of South Plantagenet.

By Mr. Pettypiece, the Petition of Thomas W. Charlesworth and others, of Arkona ; also, the Petition of the Wyoming L.W.C.T.U. ; also, the Petition of Arkona and West Adelaide Presbyterian Churches.

By Mr. Truax, the Petition of the Reverend Frank I. Maxwell and others, of Ripley.

By Mr. Preston, the Petition of Mount Pleasant Y. M. C. A.

By Mr. Fox, the Petition of Ernest C. Caverly and others of Woodville.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Town Council of Collingwood, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm By-laws numbers 600 and 601 *re* loans to certain manufacturers.

Of the Town Council of Peterborough, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm certain By-laws in respect of Water Works of the Town.

Of the Town Council of Tilsonburg, praying that an Act may pass to change the name of the Municipality to Tillsonburg.

Of the Township Council of Woodhouse ; also, of the Township Council of Middleton ; also, of the Township Council of West Gwillimbury ; also, of the Township Council of Brudenell and Lyndoch ; also, of the Township Council of Monteagle, severally praying certain amendments to the County Councils Act, respecting the constitution of County Councils.

Of the Town Council of Brockville, praying that no legislation may be enacted permitting Municipal Councils to grant exemption from taxation for a term of years, to Manufacturers, without the vote of the ratepayers.

Of W. B. Vance and others of Bervie ; also, of the Y. P. S. C. E., Union Society of Bervie ; also, of George Bush and others of Binbrook ; also, of Malton Methodist Church ; also, of Burnhamthorpe Methodist Church ; also, of Trinity Methodist Church, Malton ;

also, of Trinity Methodist Sunday School, Malton ; also, of Caledon East Methodist Church ; also, of Malton Methodist Church ; also, of the Reverend John Veale and others of Dorchester Station ; also, of Rawdon Methodist Church ; also, of Belmont Methodist Church ; also, of John Probyn and others of Thorndale ; also, of the Reverend D. D. McDonald and others of Caledonia ; also, of Crescent Council No. 144 R. T. of T. ; also, of E. H. Keys and others of Elia ; also, of Markham Methodist Church ; also, of Cornwall Y. M. C. A. ; also, of Edgar Fellerby and others of Lunenburg ; also, of Allen W. Woelfly and others of Berlin ; also, of the Friends of Prohibition, Chippawa ; also, of Amos Pyatt and others of Abingdon ; also, of T. M. Wees and others of Walsingham Centre ; also, of Port Dover Methodist Church ; also, of K. H. Munn and others of Trafalgar ; also, of W. J. McHugh and others of Hornby ; also, of George Hollings and others of Huntingdon ; also, of Excelsior Division S. O. T. of Toronto ; also, of the Reverend Thomas W. Jackson and others of Elora ; also, of Thornton Division S. O. T. ; also, of Edwin Potts and others ; also, of William Sparks and others all of Toronto ; also, of Xavier Plaren and others of Northcote ; also, of Mount Forest Church and Temperance Societies and others, severally praying for the enactment of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 139), intituled "An Act to amend the County Councils Act."—Mr. Smith.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

Bill (No. 140), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act."—Mr. Mutrie.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

Bill (No. 141), intituled "An Act to amend the Separate Schools Act."—Mr.

Harcourt.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee, severally to consider the following Bills :—

Bill (No. 32), Respecting the Town of Dresden.

Bill (No. 18), Respecting the Village of Point Edward.

Bill (No. 17), Respecting the London Street Railway Company.

Bill (No. 5), To amend the Act incorporating the Haliburton, Whitney and Mattawa Railway Company.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Pettypiece reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the several Bills without Amendments.

Ordered, That the Bills reported, be severally read the third time To-morrow.

Mr. Eilber asked the following Question :—

1. Has a Registrar been appointed for the County of Huron. 2. How long has the office been vacant. 3. If a Registrar has not been appointed, what is the cause of the delay in making the appointment.

To which the Attorney-General replied as follows :—

A Registrar has not yet been appointed for the County of Huron, which office has been vacant since January, 1899. In large counties divided into two or three constituencies there is frequently experienced a difficulty in deciding as to the locality from which appointments shall from time to time be made. The duties of the position, however, have been efficiently discharged, during the vacancy, by a competent *ex officio* Registrar, and it is not expected there will be much further delay in making a permanent appointment.

Mr. Little asked the following Question :—

How many Public Servants, in the employment of the Government of the Province, are entitled to receive a gratuity, either at time of death, or removal from office.

And the Premier replied as follows :—

Under Sec. 27 of "The Act respecting the Public Service of Ontario," the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council may, upon the retirement of an officer, in consequence of a change in a Department, or in consequence of the age and infirmity or ill-health of the officer, but not for any fault on the part of the officer, allow him a gratuity not exceeding one month's pay for each year of his service, and in the event of the death of any clerk or officer, while in the service of the Crown, the gratuity may be paid to his family.

By Order-in-Council dated 2nd May, 1881, the rule was established,—“That no gratuity shall be granted on their resignation or retirement, to any of the following officials who have not now been for more than one year employed in the Public Institutions of the Province, *viz.*:—Attendants, guards, engineers, gardeners, farmers, etc.”

In 1898, by 61 Vic. Chap. 6, it was provided—“Where any person shall, after the first day of January, 1898, become a member of the Civil or Public Service of the Province of Ontario, he shall not be entitled to a retiring allowance upon retiring from such Service, nor shall his family be entitled to any such allowance in the case of the death of such Civil or Public Servant.”

The Civil Servants who may receive, or whose families may receive, gratuities upon death or retirement, are those appointed on or before the first day of January, 1898.

Mr. Blezard asked the following Question :—

Has any Report been received by the Government, or any member thereof, from the Judges to whom was referred, by direction of the House, the claim and matter of the alleged illegal returns of pine and other timber cut by the late W. A. Scott, during the years 1865 to 1871. If any Report has been received, will it be submitted to the House, and when.

And the Attorney-General replied :—

That the Report of the Judges in the matter referred to, has been received, and will be brought down in due course.

The following Bills were severally read the second time :—

Bill (No. 12), Respecting the Town of Peterborough.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 38), Respecting the Sao Paulo Tramway, Light and Power Company, Limited

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 3), To enable Louis Gagné to practise Medicine and Surgery in certain townships.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 137). To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 105), To amend the Municipal Act having been read,

Mr. Barr moved,

That the Bill be now read the second time.

The Motion, having been put, was lost on a Division.

And so it was declared in the Negative.

Mr. Stratton presented to the House :—

Return to an Order of the House of the twenty-fourth day of January last for a Return, giving the name of each License Commissioner in each License District in the Province and the amount of expenses allowed in each District, up to the 30th April, 1901. The name and salary of each License Inspector in the Province up to the 30th April, 1901, the county for which he was appointed and the amount allowed each Inspector for expenses. (*Sessional Papers No. 61.*)

The House then adjourned at 4.20 P.M.

Tuesday, 11th February, 1902.

PRAYERS.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Gibson, the Petition of Salem Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of O. G. Walker and others of Salem.

By Mr. Dryden, the Petition of Andrew Hall and others of Oshawa.

By Mr. Davis, the Petition of the Newmarket W. C. T. U.

By Mr. Stratton, the Petition of Ballieboro' Baptist Church ; also, the Petition of Gainsboro Circuit, Canada Conference Evangelical Association.

By Mr. Marter, the Petition of R. T. of T. of Ontario.

By Mr. Matheson, the Petition of Alexander McDonald and others of Drummond ; also, the Petition of the Drummond S. O. T. Stirling Division No. 110.

By Mr. Barber, the Petition of W. C. Andrew and others of Streetsville.

By Mr. Conmee, the Petition of the Town Council of Rat Portage.

By Mr. McLaughlin, the Petition of Michael P. Davis, of Ottawa.

By Mr. Pardo, the Petition of Charles F. Clarke and others of Baldoon ; also, the Petition of Romney Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of John Mabbett and others of Glenwood ; also, the Petition of Wallaceburg Methodist Church.

By Mr. Lee, the Petition of the Blenheim Methodist Church.

By Mr. Carpenter, the Petition of M. E. Anderson and others of Bealton.

By Mr. Jessop, the Petition of Lyman Street Baptist Church, St. Catharines.

By Mr. Dickenson, the Petition of the Township Council of Ancaster.

By Mr. Powell, the Petition of St. Patrick's Temperance Society, Ottawa.

By Mr. Gallagher, the Petition of the Township Council of Storrington ; also, the Petition of Hollingford Methodist Sunday School ; also, the Petition of James Walker and others of Hollingford.

By Mr. Leys, the Petition of London Council R. T. of T.

By Mr. McDonald, the Petition of A. C. McArthur and others of Martintown.

By Mr. Smith, the Petition of Grahamville Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of Robert Foster and others of Belfountain.

By Mr. Fallis, the Petition of Joseph H. Seymour and others of Charlecote ; also, the Petition of F. Roberts and others of Welcome ; also, the Petition of Millbrook R. T. of T. ; also, the Petition of Port Hope W. O. T. U.

By Mr. Gross, the Petition of the Niagara Falls South Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of Samuel Smith and others of Thorold.

By Mr. Tucker, the Petition of Palmerston Council R. T. of T. No. 201 ; also, the Petition of the Reverend W. R. McIntosh and others of Elora ; also, the Petition of Thomas Williams and others of Palmerston.

By Mr. Crawford, the Petition of Harmony Council No. 376 R. T. of T., Toronto.

By Mr. Dempsey, the Petition of M. B. Doxsee and others of Gilberts Mills.

By Mr. Truax, the Petition of the Township Council of Carrick ; also, the Petition of Walter J. Wraith and others of Westford.

By Mr. Russell, the Petition of Deseronto Council No. 289 R. T. of T.

By Mr. Lumsden, the Petition of A. W. Fraser and others of Ottawa.

By Mr. Reid (Addington), the Petition of E. Allport and others of Mississippi.

By Mr. Richardson, the Petition of John McCulloch and others of East Toronto.

By Mr. Pettypiece, the Petition of the Township Council of Bosanquet ; also, the Petition of Robert Hay and others of Watford.

By Mr. Fardee, the Petition of Sarnia Council No. 116 R. T. of T. ; also, the Petition of Isaac W. Wilson and others of Sarnia ; also, the Petition of Sarnia W. O. T. U.

By Mr. Loughrin, the Petition of N. Keedch and others of Sudbury.

By Mr. Hill, the Petition of Maple Council R. T. of T. No. 83 ; also, the Petition of Pine Grove and Woodbridge Churches.

By Mr. Colquhoun, the Petition of Crown Council R. T. of T., Hamilton.

By Mr. Boyd, the Petition of the Township Council of Sarawak ; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Sydenham ; also, the Petition of the Township Council of St. Vincent.

By Mr. Joynt, the Petition of F. A. Tollman and others of Merrickville ; also, the Petition of Amethyst Council No. 167, R. T. of T., Merrickville.

By Mr. McLaughlin, the Petition of Moulinette Methodist Church.

By Mr. Carscallen, the Petition of H. Parker and others of Hamilton.

By Mr. Carnegie, the Petition of S. Sedgewick and others of Minden.

By Mr. Macdiarmid, the Petition of Alfred Dunn and others of St. Thomas ; also, the Petition of J. H. Hetherington and others of Palmyra.

By Mr. Pattullo, the Petition of J. Elton and others of Woodstock.

By Mr. Foy, the Petition of Toronto Council R. T. of T. No. 2.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Township Council of Cornwall, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm a certain By-law, respecting the Toronto Paper Company.

Of the Township Council of Brighton, praying certain amendments to the County Councils Act, respecting the constitution of County Councils.

Of C. J. Irwin and others of Wallaceburg ; also, of Emerson Teskey and others of Dealtown ; also, of Gore Methodist Church, Dover ; also, of Binbrooke Regular Baptist Church ; also, of Chalmers Methodist Church, Mount Albert ; also, of Arthur Council No. 122, R. T. of T. ; also, of H. W. Clarke and others of Arthur ; also, of Greenwood Methodist Church ; also, of Brougham S. O. T. No. 104 ; also, of Northcote Division S. O. T. ; also, of Wingham Enterprise Council No. 111, R. T. of T. ; also, of the Faculty of McMaster University ; also, of E. A. Brownlee and others of Toronto ; also, of Rideau Council No. 500 R. T. of T. Smith's Falls ; also, of W. G. Spencer and others of Norwood ; also, of John Armstrong and others of Malton ; also, of Elmbank S. O. T. No. 299 ; also, of O. Vuran and others of Oakland ; also, of No Surrender Lodge No. 299 I. O. G. T., Ottawa ; also, of P. Richard and others of Mattawa ; also, of Mattawa Methodist Church ; also, of Allenwood S. O. T. ; also, of T. W. S. McNiven and others of Guelph ; also, of Guelph Council No. 127, R. T. of T. ; also, of R. W. Kelly and others of Baillieboro, severally praying for the enactment of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Mr. McKay, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented their Fifteenth Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully examined the following Petitions and find the notices as published in each case sufficient :—

Of the Township Council of Orford, the Village Council of Dutton, and the Lake Erie and Detroit River Railway Company, praying that an Act may pass to confirm certain By-laws granting bonuses to the Company ;

Of Donald C. Cameron and others of Rat Portage, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Canada Western Railway Company :

Of the Town Council of Rat Portage, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm By-law No. 316 *re* debenture issue and for other purposes ;

Of the Ontario, Hudson's Bay and Western Railway Company, praying that an Act may pass to extend the time for commencement and completion of the road ;

Of the Fort Erie Ferry Railway Company, praying that an Act may pass to extend the time for completion of road and for power to extend the same ;

Of the Nepigon Railway Company, praying that an Act may pass to amend Act incorporating : extending time for commencement and completion, and with power to extend ;

Of Samuel T. Clarke and others of Chicago, Illinois, U. S. A., praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Lake Superior, Long Lake and Albany River Railway Company ;

Of the Town Council of Tilsonburg, praying that an Act may pass to change the name of the municipality to that of Tillsonburg.

The Committee recommend that Rule No. 51 of this Honourable House be further suspended in this, that the time for receiving Petitions for Private Bills and the time for introducing Private Bills, in this Honourable House, be severally extended until and inclusive of Tuesday, the 18th day of February instant.

Mr. McKay from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders presented their Sixteenth Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully examined the Petition of the Town Council of Perth, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm By-laws Nos. 869 and 870, and find that notice of the proposed application to this Legislature was published in the "Ontario Gazette" in the issue of February 1st instant, and in the "Perth Courier" in the issue of January 31st last past. A declaration has been filed with the Committee certifying that instructions have been given to the "Ontario Gazette" and "Perth Courier" to publish the notice in six consecutive issues of the papers.

A declaration has also been filed, certifying that fifty posters containing copies of the notice were posted up in conspicuous places in the Town of Perth on the 30th day of January last past.

In view of the foregoing, the Committee consider that sufficient publicity has been given to the matter and recommend the suspension of the Rule, and that the notices as published be held sufficient.

Mr. McKay from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders presented their Seventeenth Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully examined the Petition of the Village Council of Alexandria, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm By-law *re* Waterworks and Light plant and find that notice of the proposed application to this Legislature has been inserted in the "Ontario Gazette" in its issue of January 25th last past and two following issues, and is now current. A copy of the notice has also been published in "The Glengarrean" and "The News" newspapers, published at the Village of Alexandria, in their respective issues of January 31st last past and February 7th instant, and that notice is now current in each of the papers.

A declaration has also been filed with the Committee certifying that posters containing copies of the notice were posted in the most conspicuous places in the Village of Alexandria, on the 30th day of January last past.

In view of the foregoing, the Committee consider that sufficient publicity has been given to the matter and would recommend the suspension of the Rule, and that the notices as published be held sufficient.

Mr. McKay from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders presented their Eighteenth Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully examined the Petition of the Town Council of Collingwood, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm By-laws Numbers 600 and 601 *re* loans to certain manufacturers, and find that notice of the proposed application to this Legislature was published in the "Collingwood Enterprise Messenger" and the "Collingwood Bulletin," the only newspapers published at the Town of Collingwood, in their respective issues of January 30th last past. The notice also named the day when the By-laws would be considered by the Private Bills Committee.

The Petition to this Honourable House sets forth that after the discovery of certain alleged defects connected with the passing of the two By-laws, a copy of each was sent to every rate payer of the Town entitled to vote thereon, and the matter was thoroughly discussed at a public meeting of the rate-payers and by the local press, there not being time to give the notice required by the Rules of this Honourable House.

In view of the foregoing, the Committee consider that all parties interested have had ample opportunity of becoming aware of the proposed Legislation, and would recommend the suspension of this case, and that the notices as published be held sufficient.

Mr. Harcourt from the Standing Committee on Private Bills presented their Sixth Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered

Bill (No. 36), Respecting the County of York, and report the same with amendments.

The Committee have amended the preamble of the Bill.

Mr. Dryden from The Standing Committee on Railways presented their Fourth Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered Bill (No. 41), Respecting the Windsor, Essex and Lake Shore Rapid Railway Company and have prepared certain amendments to the Bill, and have also amended the preamble thereof so as to make the same conform with the facts as they were made to appear to the Committee.

The Committee recommend that Rule No. 51 of this Honourable House be further suspended in this, that the time for receiving Petitions for Private Bills, and the time for introducing Private Bills to this Honourable House, be severally extended until and inclusive of Tuesday the 18th day of February instant.

Ordered, That the time for receiving Petitions be further extended until and inclusive of Tuesday the eighteenth day of February instant.

Ordered, That the time for introducing Private Bills be extended until and inclusive of Tuesday, the eighteenth day of February, instant.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 52), intituled "An Act respecting the Village of Alexandria."—Mr. McDonald.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 53), intituled "An Act respecting the Ontario, Hudson's Bay and Western Railway Company."—Mr. Farwell.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 65), intituled "An Act respecting the Fort Erie Ferry Railway Company."—Mr. Gross

Referred to the Committee on Railways

Bill (No. 39), intituled "An Act to legalize certain By-laws and Debentures of the Township of Orford and the Village of Dutton, in aid of the Lake Erie and Detroit River Railway Company, and to ratify and confirm certain agreements between the said municipalities and the said Railway Company in respect thereof."—Mr. McKee.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 66), intituled "An Act respecting the Town of Rat Portage."—Mr. Conmee.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 69), intituled "An Act to incorporate the Canada Western Railway Company."—Mr. Conmee.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 67), intituled "An Act respecting the Town of Perth."—Mr. Matheson.
Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 61), intituled "An Act respecting the Nepigon Railway Company."—Mr. Conmee.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 63), intituled "An Act to incorporate the Lake Superior, Long Lake and Albany River Railway Company."—Mr. Hill.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 142), intituled "An Act respecting the Street Railway Act."—Mr. Leys.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Thursday next.

Bill (No. 143), intituled "An Act to amend the County Councils Act."—Mr. Tucker.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Thursday next.

Bill (No. 144), intituled "An Act to amend the San José Scale Act."—Mr. Dryden.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Thursday next.

The Order of the Day for resuming the Adjourned Debate on the Motion, and Amendment, that the House do again resolve itself into the Committee of Supply, having been read,

The Debate was resumed,

And after some time,

The Amendment, having been again put, was lost on the following division :—

YEAS.

Messieurs :

Allen	Eilber	Joynt	McLaughlin
Barr	Fallis	Kidd	Reid (Durham.)
Beatty (Leeds)	Foy	Kribs	Robson
Brower	Fox	Lucas	Thompson
Carnegie	Gallagher	Matheson	Tucker
Carscallen	Hoyle	Monteith	Wardell
Crawford	Jamieson	Morrison	Whitney.—30
Duff	Jessop		

NAYS.

Messieurs :

Auld	Davis	Holmes	Pense
Aylsworth	Dickenson	Latchford	Pettypiece
Blezard	Dryden	Lee	Preston
Bowman	Garrow	Lumsden	Richardson
Breithaupt	Gibson	Malcolm	Ross
Bridgland	Graham	Mutrie	Russell
Brown	Gross	McKee	Smith
Burt	Guibord	Pardee	Stratton
Carpenter	Harcourt	Pardo	Taylor
Charlton	Hislop	Pattullo	Truax—41
Conmee			

PAIRS.

Beatty (Parry Sound	....	....	....	Boyd.
Munro	....	....	....	Macdiarmid.
Caldwell....	....	....	....	Reid (Addington.)
McKay	....	....	....	Pyne.
Farwell....	....	....	....	Powell.
Leys	....	....	....	Marter.
Douglas....	....	....	....	Dempsey.
Clarke	....	....	....	Little.
Hill	....	....	....	Miscampbell.
Loughrin	....	....	....	McDonald.
Barber	....	....	....	Colquhoun.

The Main Motion, having been then again put, was carried on the following division :—

YEAS.

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Hill	Miscampbell.
Loughrin	McDonald.
Barber	Colquhoun.

And the House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee)

Resolved, That there be granted to His Majesty, for the services of 1902, the following sums :—

1. To defray the expenses of the Lieutenant-Governor's Office..... \$ 3,805 00
2. To defray the expenses of the Executive Council and Attorney-General's Department..... \$ 17,800 00

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Charlton reported, That the Committee had come to certain resolutions ; also, that the Committee had directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-morrow.

Mr. Stratton presented to the House, by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor :—

Report of the Commissioner of Public Works for the year 1901. *Sessional Papers*, No 7.

Also—Report of the Fruit Experiment Stations of the Province, under the joint control of the Agricultural College and the Fruit Growers Association, for the year 1901. (*Sessional Papers No. 17.*)

The House then adjourned at 10 p.m.

Wednesday, 12th February, 1902.

PRAYERS.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Davis, the Petition of E. H. Perrin and others of Newmarket.

By Mr. Carpenter, the Petition of the Tilsonburg R. T. of T.

By Mr. Pardo, the Petition of Blenheim R. T. of T. ; also, the Petition of William Wickwire and others of Wheatley ; also, the Petition of Thomas Robertson and others of Coatsworth ; also, the Petition of Joseph L. Shaper and others of Tilbury.

By Mr. Mutrie, the Petition of William H. Partridge and others of Guelph.

By Mr. Powell, the Petition of A. G. Marshall and others of Ottawa.

By Mr. Gallagher, the Petition of R. Givens and others of Kingston.

By Mr. Jessop, the Petition of Lyman Street Baptist Church, St. Catharines.

By Mr. Smith, the Petition of Frank Hammerton and others of Elm Bank.

By Mr. Malcolm, the Petition of James Graham and others of Barrie ; also, the Petition of J. N. Logan and others of Purple Grove.

By Mr. Thompson, the Petition of the Township Council of Vespra ; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Sunnidale.

By Mr. Hoyle, the Petition of the Township Council of Scott ; also, the Petition of N. Mark and others of Cannington ; also, the Petition of Rising Sun Council No. 84, R. T. of T., Cannington.

By Mr. Tucker, the Petition of Palmerston W. C. T. U. ; also, the Petition of J. Mooney and others of Alma.

By Mr. Douglas, the Petition of Seymour Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of Truth Council, No. 202, R. T. of T., Campbellford.

By Mr. Kidd, the Petition of J. W. Dowler and others of Westboro.

By Mr. Kribs, the Petition of New Hope Council, No. 66, R. T. of T., Hespeler ; also, of James Cardy and others of Galt.

By Mr Reid (Addington), the Petition of Comfort Council, R. T. of T., Mississippi.

By Mr. Pettypiece, the Petition of Silver Bugle Council, No. 153, R. T. of T., Drew.

By Mr. Reid (Darham), the Petition of Bowmanville R. T. of T.

By Mr. Crawford, the Petition of Winslow Kerr and others of Toronto.

By Mr. Fallis, the Petition of J. J. Russell and others of Millbrook.

By Mr. Gross, the Petition of Beaver Dams Division 177, S. O. T.

By Mr. Allen, the Petition of the Township Council of Bangor, Wicklow and McClure.

By Mr. Bridgland, the Petition of Huntsville Council, No. 577, R. T. of T.

By Mr. Aylsworth, the Petition of the Township Council of Richmond.

By Mr. Clarke, the Petition of the Township Council of Haldimand.

By Mr. Fox, the Petition of W. H. Payne and others of Lindsay.

By Mr. Richardson, the Petition of East Toronto and Little York W. O. T. U.

By Mr. Foy, the Petition of Metropolitan Council, R. T. of T., No. 211, Toronto.

By Mr. Eilber, the Petition of Advance Council, No. 207, R. T. of T.

By Mr. Pyne, the Petition of Riverside Council, No. 50, R. T. of T., Toronto.

By Mr. Blezard, the Petition of Norwood Methodist Church.

By Mr. Hill, the Petition of William Jeffrey, the elder, of Woodbridge.

By Mr. Leys, the Petition of D. S. Hamilton and others of London.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Township Council of Cornwall, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm By-law No. 678, fixing assessment of certain property.

Of the Pacific and Atlantic Railway Company, praying that an Act may pass to extend the time for commencement and completion of road.

Of the Township Council of Kaladar, Anglesea and Effingham ; also, of the Township Council of Sophiasburg ; also, of the Township Council of South Plantagenet, severally praying certain amendments to the County Councils Act, respecting the constitution of County Councils.

Of the Middlemiss Methodist Church ; also, of Wardsville Methodist Church ; also, of Oshawa Council No. 47 R. T. of T. ; also, of Bealton Council No. 468 R. T. of T. ; also, of Beamsville Methodist Church ; also, of Malton Presbyterian Sabbath School ; also, of Zion Tabernacle Methodist Church, Hamilton ; also, of John A. Jackson and others of Toronto ; also, of Oxford Council No. 261 R. T. ; also, of Canifton Methodist Church ; also, of Seaforth Methodist Church ; also, of Thomas W. Charlesworth and others of Arkona ; also, of Wyoming L. W. C. T. U. ; also, of Arkona and West Adelaide Presbyterian Churches ; also, of the Reverend Frank J. Maxwell and others of Ripley ; also, of Mount Pleasant W. C. T. U. ; also, of Ernest C. Caverley and others of Woodville, severally praying for the enactment of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Mr. Dryden, from the Standing Committee on Railways, presented their Fourth Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered the following Bills and have prepared certain amendments thereto respectively :—

Bill (No. 54), Respecting the Sandwich, Windsor and Amherstburg Railway Company ;

Bill (No. 46), Respecting the Essex and Kent Radial Railway Company ; and

Bill (No. 45), To incorporate The Durham Switch Line Railway Company.

The Committee have also amended the Preambles to the Bills so as to make the same conform with the facts as they were made to appear to the Committee.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 145), intituled “ An Act to amend the Municipal Act.”—Mr. Russell.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 146), intituled “ An Act to amend the Division Courts Act.”—Mr. Barr.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 147), intituled “ An Act to amend the Municipal Act.”—Mr. Smith.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 148), intituled “ An Act to amend the Municipal Act.”—Mr. Carscallen.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 149), intituled “ An Act to amend the Public Parks Act.”—Mr. Carscallen.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 150), intituled “ An Act to amend the Public Libraries Act.”—Mr. Carscallen.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 151), intituled “ An Act to amend the Election Act.”—Mr. Carscallen.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 152), intituled “ An Act to amend the Manhood Suffrage Registration Act.”—Mr. Carscallen.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 153), intituled “ An Act to amend the Municipal Act.”—Mr. Carscallen.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 154), intituled “ An Act to amend the Assessment Act.”—Mr. Carscallen.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 155), intituled “ An Act to amend the Municipal Act.”—Mr. Auld.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 156), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act."—Mr. Crawford.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 157), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act."—Mr. Hislop.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 158), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act."—Mr. Hill.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 159), intituled "An Act respecting the sale of Intoxicating Liquors in the Province of Ontario."—Mr. Ross.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 160), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act."—Mr. Conmee.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

The House resolved itself into a Committee, severally to consider the following Bills :—

Bill (No. 29), To incorporate the Morrisburg Electric Railway Company.

Bill (No. 15), Respecting the Sarnia Street Railway Company.

Bill (No. 38), Respecting the Sao Paulo Tramway, Light and Power Company, Limited.

Bill (No. 3), To enable Louis Gagné to practise Medicine and Surgery in certain townships.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Charlton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the several Bills without Amendments.

Ordered, That the Bills reported, be severally read the third time To-morrow.

The following bills were severally read the third time and passed :—

Bill (No. 32), Respecting the Town of Dresden.

Bill (No. 17), Respecting the London Street Railway Company.

Bill (No. 5), To amend the Act incorporating the Haliburton, Whitney and Mat-tawa Railway Company.

Mr. Carnegie asked the following Question :—

Did any person or persons object to the sale of any of the timber limits offered by the Government during September, 1901. If so, what were the objections raised. How were the objections, if any, satisfied.

To which the Commissioner of Crown Lands replied :—

Yes. The Algoma Central Railway Company, fearing that some of their rights under their land grant would be affected, objected to the sale. The position was considered, and the company was assured that all its rights would be preserved, whereupon the objection was withdrawn.

A Mr. Lee also objected to the sale of the township of Lutterworth, claiming to have some rights under a former licensee. This claim was investigated, and found to be without foundation.

Mr. Tucker asked the following Question :—

What Royal Commissions were appointed by the Government during the years 1889 to 1901 inclusive, and what was the cost of each Commission.

And the Treasurer replied as follows :—

SUBJECT OF INQUIRY.	COST OF COMMISSION.
1889.	
To inquire into the occupation and improvements on lands in townships along Rainy River	\$ 998 25
Re Old Survey of the Township of Kennebec	520 25
To inquire into disease of horses in the neighborhood of Chatham	Investigation made by an officer of the Government.
To examine into claims and applications of mining locations in the vicinity of Rat Portage	675 00
Commission of Inquiry re charges against John Tansy, constable at Algoma Mills	Investigation made by an officer of the Government.
Commission of Inquiry re financial affairs of Township of Charlotteville	Commission at request of, and expenses paid by Municipality.
1890.	
Commission of Inquiry to collect information regarding Prisons, Houses of Correction, Reformatories, etc.	8,718 23
Commission of Inquiry respecting Game Laws.....	6,527 25
1891.	
Commission of Inquiry into charges against the Registrar of Waterloo	Investigation made by an officer of the Government.
Commission of Inquiry into charges against Gaoler at Lambton	Investigation made by an officer of the Government.
Commission of Inquiry re Township of Proton	\$1,607 38
Commission of Inquiry re working of the Drainage Laws	14,048 93

SUBJECT OF INQUIRY.	COST OF COMMISSION.
1892.	
Commission of Inquiry into the fitness of certain territory in Muskoka for a National Park.....	Investigation made by officers of the Government.
Commission of Inquiry into charges against D. G. Ross, accountant in Crown Lands Dept	\$ 104 00
Commission of Inquiry <i>re</i> the Dehorning of Cattle	2,769 60
Commission of Inquiry into allowance to Superintendents and Wardens of Public Institutions	696 40
Sheriff Sutton Investigation	551 71
Commission of Inquiry <i>re</i> financial affairs of the Township of McKim.....	Expenses paid by municipality.
Commission of Inquiry <i>re</i> charges made against Samuel P. May, Supt. of Mechanics Institutes.....	Investigation made by an officer of the Government.
Commission of Inquiry <i>re</i> Alexander Patrick Devlin, County Crown Attorney and Clerk of the Peace in and for the County of Victoria.....	22 50
1893.	
Agricultural College Investigation as to want of harmony said to prevail at the College and Experimental Farm.....	1,254 61
Commission of Inquiry into charges made against Thos. McKee, Provincial Constable.....	192 10
Commission of Inquiry <i>re</i> charges made against Andrew Allison Logan as Police Magistrate of the Village of Morrisburg	Investigation made by an officer of the Government.
Commission of Inquiry <i>re</i> charges made against P. H. Bryce, Secretary, Provincial Board of Health, by one G. A. Dorian.....	14 30
1894	
Commission of Inquiry <i>re</i> financial affairs of the Township of East Zorra.....	Costs paid by Municipality.
Commission of Inquiry into the payment of certain Provincial officials by fees	11,756 97
Commission of Inquiry <i>re</i> alleged irregularities in the official Registry books of the County of Peterboro	8 31
Commission of Inquiry <i>re</i> Albert E. Mallory as Registrar of Deeds in and for the Eastern Division of the County of Northumberland	130 82

SUBJECT OF INQUIRY.	COST OF COMMISSION.
Commission of Inquiry into the financial affairs of the Village of Arthur.....	Costs paid by Municipality.
Commission of Inquiry <i>re</i> timber cut by More Lumber Company	Expenses paid by More Lumber Company.
1895.	
Commission of Inquiry <i>re</i> discipline and exercise of authority by the Councils of the University of Toronto and University College, etc.....	\$2,683 53
Commission of Inquiry into financial affairs of the Village of London West.....	Expenses paid by Municipality.
Commission of Inquiry into taking of the vote of the electors in respect of the selection of a district town for the District of Nipissing.....	Investigation made by an officer of the Government.
Commission of Inquiry <i>re</i> the tolls chargeable and collected on roads and bridges in Ontario.....	2,827 65
Commission of Inquiry into the conduct of John S. Scarlett.....	53 18
Commission of Inquiry <i>re</i> financial affairs of the Village of Oil Springs.....	Costs paid by Municipality.
Judicature Rules Commission.....	5,337 05
1896.	
Commission of Inquiry <i>re</i> Biscotasing Fire.....	565 83
Commission of Inquiry <i>re</i> financial affairs of the Township of Camden.....	Costs paid by Municipality.
Commission of Inquiry <i>re</i> financial affairs of the Township of Springer.....	Costs paid by Municipality.
Commission of Inquiry <i>re</i> financial affairs of the Town of Allison	Costs paid by Municipality.
Commission of Inquiry <i>re</i> sums paid to creditors in respect of building the Central Counties Ry.....	1,402 74
Commission of Inquiry <i>re</i> financial affairs of the County of Dufferin	Costs paid by Municipality.
Commission of Inquiry respecting Chas. K. Gregg, Park Ranger of the Algonquin National Park.....	Investigation made by an officer of the Government.
Commission of Inquiry <i>re</i> Henry Oastle as Justice of the Peace in and for the District of Muskoka	Investigation made by an officer of the Government.
Commission of Inquiry <i>re</i> financial affairs of the Village of Hintonburg	Expenses paid by Municipality.
Commission <i>re</i> Consolidation of Statutes.....	13,332 60

SUBJECT OF INQUIRY.	COST OF COMMISSION.
1897.	
Commission of Inquiry <i>re</i> restoring and preserving white pine and other timber trees.....	\$843 94
Commission of Inquiry <i>re</i> financial affairs of the Town of Port Arthur.....	Costs paid by Municipality.
Commission of Inquiry <i>re</i> financial affairs of the Town of Niagara.....	Costs paid by Municipality.
Commission of Inquiry <i>re</i> financial affairs of the Township of Ellice.....	Costs paid by Municipality.
Commission of Inquiry <i>re</i> charges against one Patrick J. Crotty.....	35 00
Commission of Inquiry <i>re</i> claim of the William Cane & Son Manufacturing Company, Ltd.....	838 12
Forestry Commission.....	1,373 20
1898.	
Commission <i>re</i> settlement of claim Toronto Junction...	100 00
Commission of Inquiry <i>re</i> certain timber disputes	350 00
Commission of Inquiry into charges against Robert E. Bingham.....	Investigation made by an officer of the Government
Commission of Inquiry respecting manner in which J. R. Howrie & Sons carried on lumbering operations in the Peterboro agency	100 00
1899.	
Commission of Inquiry <i>re</i> charges against one Thomas H. Bull as Clerk of the Peace in and for the County of York.....	Investigation made by an officer of the Government
Commission of Inquiry respecting opposition in Essex and Kent to the enforcement of the San José Scale Act	864 20
Commission of Inquiry <i>re</i> sums due to workmen and other creditors of the Central Counties Railway or its Directors.....	250 00
Commission of Inquiry into books of the Treasury Department	4,245 90
1900.	
Assessment Commission	6,259 60
Commission of Inquiry <i>re</i> the return of Donald Macnish as Member for West Elgin	7,374 24

SUBJECT OF INQUIRY.	COST OF COMMISSION.
Commission of Inquiry <i>re</i> certain alterations made in the books of the Accountant of the Supreme Court of Judicature	Investigation made by an officer of the Government.

1901.

No Commissions were appointed in 1901.

Mr. Pyne asked the following Question :—

Is it the intention of the Government to offer a reward, or prize, to any person discovering an improved process for the transmission of electrical energy.

And the Treasurer replied that it was not the intention of the Government to offer any reward.

Mr. Pyne asked the following Question :—

Is it the intention of the Government to take any action, based upon the facts elicited by the Assessment Commission, toward the amendment of the Municipal Act in the matter of assessment for taxation purposes, either positively, as stating what species of property shall or shall not be taxable, or permissively, by allowing municipalities under some form of local option to determine themselves as to the sources, from which municipal revenue shall be derived.

To which the Treasurer replied :—

That the matter was under the consideration of the Government, depending upon the Report of the Commission.

Mr. Whitney asked the following Question :—

1. Has the Cashmere Dam, on the River Thames, been entirely removed. 2. Has the Government refused to issue any further fishing licenses for that River. 3. Is it true that nets are being used in the River Thames and fish deposited in a pond, where they will be handy when required. 4. Does the Inspector personally visit the locality before sending in reports.

And the Commissioner of Public Works replied as follows :—

1. No. 2. No. 3. No. 4. Yes.

Mr. McLaughlin moved, seconded by Mr. Monteith,

That there be laid before this House, a Return, shewing what amount has been paid by pupils for entrance examinations. The amount paid by all pupils for such examination and appeals, and shewing what amount has been received by the Government for all fees for examinations.

And a Debate having arisen, the Motion was, by leave of the House, withdrawn.

Mr. Matheson moved, seconded by Mr. Miscampbell,

That there be laid before this House, a Return of copies of all correspondence between the Government, or any member thereof, and the Dominion Government, or any member or Department thereof, with regard to withholding, during the year 1901, of all interest on the Trust Funds—\$3,400,000—in the hands of the Dominion Government.

And a Debate having ensued, the motion was, by leave of the House withdrawn.

The following Bills were severally read the second time :—

Bill (No. 25), Respecting the Town of Goderich:

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 36), Respecting the County of York.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 41), Respecting the Windsor, Essex and Lake Shore Rapid Railway Company.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 123), To amend the Assessment Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 134), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 87), To amend the Toll Roads Expropriation Act, 1901.

Referred to the Legal Committee.

Bill (No. 88), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 128), To amend the Public Schools Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 86), To amend the Agriculture and Arts Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 80), Respecting Expert Witnesses.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 106), To further amend the Devolution of Estates Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow,

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 111), To amend the Municipal Drainage Act, having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply

(*In the Committee.*)

Resolved, That there be granted to His Majesty, for the services of 1902, the following sums :—

3. To defray the expenses of the Education Department	\$ 19,750 00
4. To defray the expenses of the Crown Lands Department.....	\$ 66,700 00
5. To defray the expenses of the Department of Public Works	\$ 30,950 00
6. To defray the expenses of the Treasury Department.....	\$ 30,775 00
12. To defray the expenses of the Department of Agriculture	\$ 19,560 00
13. To defray the expenses of the Insurance Branch	\$ 8,550 00
14. To defray the expenses of Neglected Children's Branch	\$ 6,100 00
15. To defray Miscellaneous Expenses	\$ 12,400 00
16. To defray the expenses of Legislation.....	\$133 100 00

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Charlton reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions ; also, That the Committee had directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-morrow.

The House then adjourned at 10.15 p.m.

Thursday, 13th February, 1902.

PRAYERS.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Davis, the Petition of Newmarket R. T. of T. No. 45.

By Mr. Auld, the Petition of Vashti Council R. T. of T., Kingsville.

By Mr. Blezard, the Petition of Aaron S. Maguire and others of Peterborough.

By Mr. Little, the Petition of R. Collenger and others of Simcoe County.

By Mr. Barr, the Petition of Grand Valley R. T. of T.

By Mr. Tucker, the Petition of Jackson Baird and others of Palmerston

By Mr. Monteith, the Petition of William Heinmiller and others of Tavistock.

By Mr. Kribs, the Petition of C. A. Michie and others of Hespeler.

By Mr. Fallis, the Petition of Port Hope Methodist Church.

By Mr. Dickenson, the Petition of the Township Council of Barton ; also, the Petition of Blackheath C. E. S. Binbrook.

By Mr. Pettypiece, the Petition of Ivy Council R. T. of T. No. 37, Watford.

By Mr. Crawford, the Petition of Euclid Council No. 480 R. T. of T. Toronto.

By Mr. Boyd, the Petition of the Township Council of Derby ; also, the Petition of the Town Council of Owen Sound.

By Mr. Graham, the Petition of the Town Council of Brockville.

By Mr. Eilber, the Petition of Varna Council R. T. of R. No. 308.

By Mr. Morrison, the Petition of the Belleville R. T. of T.

By Mr. Breithaupt, the Petition of the Church of the United Brethren in Christ, Berlin ; also, the Petition of L. Westrau and others of Berlin ; also, the Petition of Berlin Council No. 332 R. T. of T.

By Mr. Burt, the Petition of the Township Council of West Dumfries.

By Mr. Leys, the Petition of the Maitland Street Baptist Church, London.

By Mr. Carpenter, the Petition of S. E. Grigg and others of Tilsonburg.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of Michael P. Davis of Ottawa, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm By-law No. 678 of the Township of Cornwall.

Of the Township Council of Rat Portage, praying that an Act may pass to change the name of the municipality to that of Kenora.

Of the Township Council of Carrick ; also, of the Township Council of Storrington ; also, of the Township Council of Bosanquet ; also, of the Township Council of St. Vincent ; also, of the Township Council of Sydenham ; also, of the Township Council of Sarawak ; also, of the Township Council of Ancaster, severally praying certain amendments to the County Councils Act, respecting the constitution of County Councils.

Of W. C. Andrew and others of Streetsville ; also, of Niagara Falls South, Methodist Church ; also, of Charles F. Clarke and others of Baldoon ; also, of Romney Methodist Church ; also, of John Mabbett and others of Glenwood ; also, of Wallaceburg Methodist Church ; also, of Blenheim Methodist Church ; also, of M. E. Anderson and others of Bealton ; also, of Salem Methodist Church ; also, of C. G. Walker and others of Salem ; also, of Andrew Hall and others of Oshawa ; also, of Newmarket W. C. T. U. ; also, of Ballieboro Baptist Church ; also, of Gainsboro Circuit, Canada Conference Evangelical Association ; also, of the Executive Committee of the Grand Council of Ontario, R. T. of T. ; also, of Alexander McDonald and others of Drummond ; also, of Drummond Centre S. O. T. Stirling Division No. 110 ; also, of Lyman Street Baptist Church, St. Catharines ; also, of St. Patrick Temperance Society, Ottawa ; also, of London Council R. T. of T. ; also, of Hollingford Methodist Sunday School ; also, of James Walker and others of Hollingford ; also, of A. C. McArthur and others of Martintown ; also, of Grahamville Methodist Church ; also, of Robert Foster and others of Belfountain ; also, of Joseph H. Seymour and others of Charlecotte ; also, of T. Roberts and others of Welcome ; also, of Millbrook R. T. of T. ; also, of Port Hope W. C. T. U. ; also, of Samuel Smith and others of Thorold ; also, of Palmerston Council No. 201 R. T. of T. ; also, of the Reverend W. R. McIntosh and others of Elora ; also, of Thomas Williams

and others of Palmerston ; also, of Harmony Council No. 376 R. T. of T.; also, of M. B. Doxsee and others of Gilberts Mills ; also, of Walter J. Wraith and others of Westford ; also, of Deseronto R. T. of T. No. 289 ; also, of E. Allport of Mississippi ; also, of A. W. Fraser and others of Ottawa ; also, of John McCulloch and others of East Toronto ; also, of Robert Hay and others of Watford ; also, of Sarnia R. T. of T. No. 116 ; also, of Isaac W. Wilson and others of Sarnia ; also, of Maple R. T. of T. No. 83 ; also, of Sarnia W. C. T. U. ; also, of Pine Grove and Woodbridge Churches ; also, of Toronto Council R. T. of T. No. 2 ; also, of J. Elton and others of Woodstock ; also, of J. K. Hetherington and others of Palmyra ; also, of Alfred Dunn and others of St. Thomas ; also, of S. Sedgewick and others of Minden ; also, of H. Parker and others of Hamilton ; also, of Moulinette Methodist Church ; also, of Amethyst R. T. of T. No. 167, Merrickville ; also, of Hamilton Crown Council R. T. of T. ; also, of F. A. Tollman and others of Merrickville ; also, of W. Keedch and others of Sudbury, severally praying for the enactment of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Mr. Harcourt, from the Standing Committee on Private Bills, presented their Seventh Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered the following Bills, and report the same with amendments respectively :—

Bill (No. 56), "Respecting the establishment of the Carnegie Library in the City of Ottawa."

Bill (No. 55), Respecting the City of Ottawa."

The Committee have amended the preamble of Bill No. 55.

Mr. Dryden from the Standing Committee on Railways presented their Fifth Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered Bill (No. 19), To incorporate the Ontario Electric Company and have prepared certain amendments thereto, and have amended the Preamble thereto so as to make the same conform with the facts as they were made to appear to the Committee and have also amended the Title to the Bill so that it now reads "An Act to incorporate The Ontario Electric Railway Company."

Mr. Charlton from the Standing Committee on Public Accounts reported the following Resolutions as their First Report :—

I. Requesting an Order of the House "For the production of all papers, cheques and receipts in reference to item—The Dickenson Lumber Company, \$4,000—on page 124 of the Public Accounts for 1900 before this Committee, with power to send for and examine such witnesses as may be required."

2. Requesting an Order of the House "That the Colonization Road Expenditure for 1900, for which returns were not made in detail on pages 126 to 148 of the Public Accounts for 1900, be laid before this Committee, viz." :—

J. Springer	Page 127.....	\$130 00
E. E. Sproule	" 127.....	90 00
J. Ritter	" 128.....	230 00
G. Brooks	" 129.....	180 00
M. Trivers	" 133.....	480 00
G. A. Tucker	" 133.....	180 00
E. B. Munn	" 133.....	300 00
P. Van Loven	" 133.....	200 00
J. Eakins	" 133.....	360 00
J. Finnerty	" 135.....	45 00
R. Muldoon	" 136.....	1,755 00
G. Bottomley	" 136.....	280 00
J. Holly	" 141.....	280 00

Resolved, That this House doth concur in the First Report of the Committee on Public Accounts.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 161), intituled " An Act to amend the Local Courts Act."—Mr. Graham.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (162), intituled " An Act respecting Electric Railways."—Mr. McKay.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 163), intituled " An Act to amend the Act respecting the Devolution of Estates."—Mr. Lucas.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 93), To amend the Marriage Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Graham reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 91), To provide for the Revision of the Statute Law, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Charlton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 92), Respecting Mortmain and the Disposition of Lands for Charitable Uses, and, after some time spent therein, Mr Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Charlton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 86), To amend the Agriculture and Arts Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Charlton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 128), To amend the Public Schools Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Charlton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The following Bill was read the second time :—

Bill (No. 129), To amend the Land Titles Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That there be granted to His Majesty, for the Services of 1902, the following sums :—

7. To defray the expenses of the Provincial Secretary's Department....	\$ 20,200 00
8. To defray the expenses of the Inspection of Public Institutions.....	\$ 17,900 00
9. To defray the expenses of Audit, License and Justice Accounts.....	\$ 9,900 00
10. To defray the expenses of the Registrar-General's Branch	\$ 12,550 00
11. To defray the expenses of the Provincial Board of Health.....	\$ 8,050 00
17. To defray the expenses of the Administration of Justice.....	\$ 448,581 94
18. To defray the expenses of Public and Separate Schools.....	\$ 481,949 87
19. To defray the expenses of Collegiate Institutes and High Schools....	\$ 119,175 00
20. To defray the expenses of the Museum and Library.....	\$ 8,050 00
21. To defray the expenses of the School of Practical Science	\$ 30,150 00

22. To defray the expenses of Public Libraries, Art Schools, Literary and Scientific	\$ 60,900 00
23. To defray the expenses of Technical Education	\$ 10,000 00
24. To defray Miscellaneous expenses of Education	\$ 13,825 00
25. To defray the expenses of Superannuated Teachers	\$ 61,300 00
36. To defray the expenses of the Institution for the Deaf and Dumb, Belleville	\$ 45,284 00
37. To defray the expenses of the Institution for the Blind, Brantford	\$ 32,701 00
39. To defray the expenses of Immigration	\$ 4,825 00
50. To defray the expenses of maintenance and repairs of Government House	\$ 8,700 00
52. To defray the expenses of maintenance and repairs of the Education Department, Normal School Buildings	\$ 7,800 00
53. To defray the expenses of miscellaneous expenditure of Government and Departmental Buildings	\$ 3,750 00
54. To defray the expenses of maintenance and repairs of the Normal and Model Schools, Ottawa	\$ 4,900 00
55. To defray the expenses of maintenance and repairs of the Normal School, London	\$ 2,900 00
56. To defray the expenses of maintenance and repairs of the School of Practical Science, Toronto	\$ 4,125 00
57. To defray the expenses of maintenance and repairs to the Agricultural College, Guelph	\$ 8,200 00
58. To defray the expenses of maintenance and repairs at Osgoode Hall, Toronto	\$ 8,980 00

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Charlton reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions ; also, That the Committee had directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-morrow.

Mr. Stratton presented to the House, by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor :—

Report of the Honourable Mr. Justice Osler and the Honourable Mr. Justice Lister, in the matter of the Scott Enquiry. (*Sessional Papers No. 62.*)

The House then adjourned at 9.45.

Friday, 14th February, 1902.

PRAYERS.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Davis, the Petition of Mount Albert Methodist Church.

By Mr. Farwell, the Petition of Gideon Kastner and others of Wiarton ; also, the Petition of the Algoma Steel Company.

By Mr. Conmee, the Petition of E. F. B. Johnston and others of Toronto.

By Mr. Auld, the Petition of Thomas Shields and others of Leamington.

By Mr. Wardell, the Petition of the Township Council of West Flamboro.

By Mr. Macdiarmid, the Petition of W. Hartley and others of St. Thomas.

By Mr. Pyne, the Petition of Nathan Stafford and others of Toronto.

By Mr. Mutrie, the Petition of the County Council of Wellington.

By Mr. Pardee, the Petition of the Township Council of Dawn ; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Sarnia ; also, the Petition of Rosedale Council No. 274 R. T. of T., Marthaville ; also, the Petition of R. A. Bain and others of Copleston.

By Mr. Pettypiece, the Petition of John Mitchell and others of Watford.

By Mr. Hill, the Petition of W. H. Parker and others of Mimico ; also, the Petition of George Perry and others of New Toronto ; also, the Petition of W. Willson and others of Maple.

By Mr. Pattullo, the Petition of R. Young and others of Thamesford ; also, the Petition of the Township Council of East Zorra.

By Mr. McKay, the Petition of the County Council of Oxford.

By Mr. Blezard, the Petition of the Township Council of Belmont and Methuen.

By Mr. Bowman, the Petition of the Township Council of Amabel.

By Mr. Leys, the Petition of J. McLaughlin and others of London.

By Mr. Breithaupt, the Petition of Berlin W. C. T. U.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Township Council of Haldimand ; also, of the Township Council of Richmond ; also, of the Township Council of Bangor, Wicklow and McClure ; also, of the Township Council of Sunnidale ; also, of the Township Council of Scott ; also, of the Township Council of Vespra, severally praying certain amendments to the County Councils Act, respecting the constitution of County Councils.

Of E. H. Perrin and others of Newmarket ; also, of Blenheim R. T. of T. ; also, of William Wickwire and others of Wheatley ; also, of Thomas Robertson and others of Coatsworth ; also, of Joseph L. Shaper and others of Tilbury ; also, of William H. Partidge and others of Guelph ; also, of A. G. Marshall and others of Ottawa ; also, of R. Givens and others of Kingston ; also, of Lyman Street Baptist Church, St. Catharines ; also, of Frank Hammerton and others of Elm Bank ; also, of James Graham and others of Bervie ; also, of J. N. Logan and others of Purple Grove ; also, of N. Mark and others of Cannington ; also, of Rising Sun Council No. 84 R. T. of T., Cannington ; also, of Palmerston W. C. T. U. ; also, of J. Mooney and others of Alma ; also, of Seymour Methodist Church ; also, of Campbellford Truth Council No. 202 R. T. of T. ; also, of J. N. Dowler and others of Westboro ; also, of Hespeler Council No. 66 R. T. of T. ; also, of James Cardy and others of Galt ; also, of Mississippi Comfort Council R. T. of T.

also, of Drew Silver Bugle Council No. 153 R. T. of T. ; also, of Bowmanville R. T. of T. ; also, of Winslow Kerr and others of Toronto ; also, of J. J. Russell and others of Millbrook ; also, of Beaver Dams Division No. 177 S. O. T. ; also, of Huntsville Council No. 577 R. T. of T. ; also, of W. H. Payne and others of Lindsay ; also, of East Toronto and Little York W. C. T. U. ; also of Metropolitan Council R. T. of T. Toronto ; also, of Advance Council No. 207 R. T. of T. ; also, of Riverside Council No. 50 R. T. of T., Toronto ; also of Norwood Methodist Church ; also, of Tilsonburg R. T. of T. ; also, of William Jeffrey, the elder, and others of Woodbridge ; also, of D. S. Hamilton and others of London, severally praying for the enactment of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Mr. Harcourt from the Standing Committee on Private Bills presented their Eighth Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered Bill (No. 23), Respecting the Town of Toronto Junction, and report the same with amendments.

The Committee have also amended the preamble of the Bill.

Mr. Dryden from the Standing Committee on Railways presented their Sixth Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered Bill (No. 51), To incorporate The Peterborough Radial Railway Company and have prepared certain amendments to the Bill, and have also amended the Preamble thereto, so as to make the same conform with the facts as they were made to appear to the Committee.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 165), intituled “ An Act to amend the County Councils Act.”—Mr. Barr.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Tuesday next.

Bill (No. 166), intituled “ An Act to amend the Statute Law.”—Mr. Gibson.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Tuesday next.

Bill (No. 167), intituled “ An Act to amend the High Schools Act.”—Mr. Harcourt.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Tuesday next.

The following Bill was introduced, *nemine contradicente*, and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 168), intituled “ An Act to amend the Assessment Act.”—Mr. Wardell.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Tuesday next.

The following Bills were severally read the third time and passed :—

Bill (No. 14), Respecting the City of London.

Bill (No.15), Respecting the Sarnia Street Railway Company.

Bill (No. 38) Respecting the Sao Paulo Tramway Light and Power Company, Limited.

Mr. Miscampbell asked the following Question :—

What amount was paid by the Province for printing, for the years 1898, 1899, and 1901, each year separately.

To which the Attorney General, in the absence of the Treasurer, replied as follows :—

The expenditure, by the Treasurer of Ontario, for Printing, Binding, and Printing-Paper for four years ended 31st December, 1901, was as follows :—

		1898.	1899.	1900.	1901.
		(1)	(2)		
Warwick Bros. & Rutter...	Printing and Binding....	\$113,312 68	\$72,438 58	\$60,553 70	\$58,705 56
“ “	“ Paper.....	.....	.....	2,593 31	3,331 40
Barber & Ellis Co.....	“ “	20,341 33	.....	.....	.....
Riordan Paper Mills.....	“ “	3,587 69	19,154 79	8,251 67	12,602 78
Buntin Reid & Co.....	“ “	173 68	3,078 65	4,208 08	2,212 28
Sundry Persons.....	Miscellaneous, Printing, etc.	2,215 31	1,947 33	1,646 27	2,176 24
		\$139,630 69	\$96,619 35	\$77,253 03	\$79,028 26

The years 1898 and 1899 include printing, etc., *re* Consolidated Statutes, \$34,600.05.

Printing paper (approximate), \$10,000.

Mr. Miscampbell asked the following Question :—

What is the cost, to the Province, of the smallpox epidemic to date.

And the Provincial Secretary replied with the ensuing statement :—

Statement shewing the actual and calculated Smallpox Expenditure in Ontario, from January 1st, 1901, to February 1st, 1902 :—

Expenditure by Provincial Board of Health, to end of 1901 (Public Accounts)	\$ 23,809 36
Expenditures as reported by 84 Municipalities (having 682 cases) to Nov. 30th, 1901.....	149,744 81
Calculated Expenditures to end of 1901, in balance of 137 Municipalities reporting cases (based upon above expenditures).....	90,000 90
Calculated Expenditures for January, 1902, in 87 centres, having 637 cases	140,000 00

Mr. Jessop asked the following Question :—

Has any one person the exclusive right to fish, with nets, in the streams known as the Fifteen and Sixteen mile creeks, County of Lincoln.

And the Commissioner of Public Works replied in the negative.

Mr. Thompson asked the following Question :—

How many boys were discharged from the Reformatory for Boys during each of the years 1899, 1900 and 1901, and to what destinations were they sent.

To which the Provincial Secretary replied :—

That there were discharged from the Ontario Reformatory for Boys at Penetanguishene, during the year 1899, 49 ; the year 1900, 63 ; and the year 1901, 58.

Of these, 161 were returned to their parents, friends or guardians within the Province. Three were sent to Buffalo, two to Winnipeg, one to Chicago, one to Duluth, one to Detroit and one to Watertown, N.Y.

During the same period, one boy was transferred to the Orillia Idiot Asylum, seven incorrigible boys were transferred to the Central Prison, and one to the Kingston Penitentiary.

Mr. Whitney asked the following Question :—

Is it proposed to allot, or locate, the lands to the several Volunteers entitled thereto, under the Act of last session, before the General Elections.

To which the Commissioner of Crown Lands replied as follows :—

Not knowing when the General Election will be held, a specific answer to the question cannot be given.

There is, however, every reason to believe that locations will be allotted to Volunteers entitled, before the General Election.

Mr. Carscallen asked the following Question :—

Has any contract been recently made on behalf of the Province, with, " The Middleton Marble and Granite Co'y " of Hamilton, relating to certain alterations, additions and improvements at the Hamilton Asylum for the Insane. If so, what is its date, and to what does it relate. Were tenders invited, and if not, why. What is the estimated amount to be paid on fulfilment of contract.

To which the Provincial Secretary replied as follows :—

On December 11th, 1901, an agreement was completed with the Middleton Marble & Granite Company of Hamilton, in connection with the renewal of lavatories in the main building of the Asylum for the Insane at Hamilton. Tenders were received, and the lowest tender accepted. The amount of contract was \$1,496, which was \$689 less than the lowest.

Mr. Duff asked the following Question :—

1. How many acres are there in the Pioneer Farm at Dryden. 2. How many under cultivation 3 What is the present value of the farm 4. What have been the total receipts and expenditures for the years 1897, 1898, 1899, 1900 and 1901.

And the Minister of Agriculture replied as follows :—

The Pioneer Farm at Dryden, contains 305 acres, 200 of which are now cleared. In 1901, 175 acres were under cultivation, including 50 acres of pasture. It is expected that the balance will be cleared in 1902, except a portion to be left as a timber lot.

The receipts and expenditure, as given in the Public Accounts, from 1897 to 1901 inclusive, are as follows :—

	EXPENDITURE.	RECEIPTS
1897	\$2,387 16	\$430 39
1898	1,913 24	502 29
1899	1,782 40	451 68
1900	2,137 22	582 30
1901	1,874 78	631 06

The territory in which the Pioneer Farm is situated, was an entire wilderness previous to 1896, and uninhabited. It is still only partially developed, and lands have not changed hands sufficiently to establish a market value.

Mr. Monteith asked the following Question :—

Was J. W. Thompson in the employ of the Government during the years 1898 and 1899. What months, during each year, was he employed. What remuneration did he receive.

To which the Minister of Agriculture replied as follows :—

J. W. Thompson was engaged in temporary work for 71 days during the months commencing March 23, and ending June 13, 1898, in the Department of Agriculture. His remuneration was \$2 00 *per day*.

Later in the same year, he was employed in the Education Department in connection with Departmental Examination work for 65 days, 48 days being in the months of July and August, with eleven in September, and six in October

In 1899 he was again employed for 67½ days by the Education Department at similar work during the same months, from July 1 to and including ten days in October. His remuneration was \$3.00 *per day*.

The following Bills were severally read the second time :—

Bill (No. 101), To amend the Manhood Suffrage Registration Act.

Referred to the Legal Committee.

Bill (No. 125), To amend the Public Schools Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 83), To amend the Drainage Act.

Referred to the Legal Committee.

Bill (No. 135), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 89), To amend the Mechanics and Wage-Earners Lien Act.

Referred to the Legal Committee.

Mr. Stratton presented to the House, by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor :—

Report of the Inspector of Fumigation Appliances. (*Sessional Papers No. 18.*)

Also—Report of the Inspector of Registry Offices with fees and emoluments received by Registrars of Deeds, for the year 1901. (*Sessional Papers No. 35.*)

Also—Report upon the Lunatic and Idiot Asylums of the Province for the year ending 30th September, 1901. (*Sessional Papers No. 38.*)

Also—Report upon the Common Gaols, Prisons and Reformatories of the Province for the year ending 30th September, 1901. (*Sessional Papers No. 39.*)

The House then adjourned at 4.15 p.m.

Monday, 17th January, 1902.

PRAYERS.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Ross, the Petition of the Stella Methodist Church.

By Mr. Davis, the Petition of District Council of York County R. T. of T.

By Mr. Carscallen, the Petition of the City Council of Hamilton.

By Mr. Joynt, the Petition of the Township Council of Edwardsburg.

By Mr. Pardee, the Petition of the Township Council of Enniskillen.

By Mr. Colquhoun, the Petition of Hamilton Union W. C. T. U.; also, the Petition of Youman's W. C. T. U., Hamilton.

By Mr. Matheson, the Petition of W. A. Meighen and others of Perth.

By Mr. Eilber, the Petition of F. J. Burroughs and others of Seaforth; also, the Petition of J. W. Andrews and others of Varna.

By Mr. Dickenson, the Petition of James W. Mitchell and others of Blackheath.

By Mr. Pattullo, the Petition of the Towaship Council of West Zorra.

By Mr. Lucas, the Petition of N. G. Hewson and others of Heathcote; also, the Petition of Heathcote Methodist Church.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of R. Collenger and others of Simcoe County, praying that the cultivation of the Barberry Shrub may be prohibited.

Of the Township Council of Barton; also, of the Township Council of South Dumfries; also, of the Township Council of Derby; also, of the Township Council of Seymour, severally praying certain amendments to the County Councils Act, respecting the constitution of County Councils.

Of the Town Council of Brockville, praying respecting the cost of, and publication of school books.

Of the Town Council of Owen Sound, praying that the Bill proposed by the City of Toronto as to amendment to Municipal Law, so that Council can, as heretofore, by vote of two-thirds of the members pass, by-laws for the exemption from taxation, machinery, plant, &c.

Of S. E. Grigg and others of Tilsonburg; also, of Vashti Council R. T. of T., Kingsville; also, of Maitland Street Baptist Church, London; also, of Aaron S. Maguire and others of Peterboro; also, of Newmarket R. T. of T. No. 45; also, of R. T. of T., Grand Valley; also, of Jackson Baird and others, of Palmerston; also, of William Heinmiller and others, of Tavistock; also, of C. A. Michie and others of Hespeler; also, of Port Hope Methodist Church; also, of Blackheath O. E. S. Presbyterian Church, Binbrook; also, of Ivy Council R. T. of T., Watford; also, of Euclid Council No. 480 R. T. of T., Toronto; also, of Varna R. T. of T. No. 308; also, of Belleville R. T. of T.; also, of the Church of the United Brethren in Christ, Berlin; also, of L. Westran and others of Berlin; also of Berlin Council No. 332 R. T. of T., severally praying for the enactment of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 58), intituled "An Act to incorporate the New Ontario Central Railway Company."—Mr. Conmee.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 62), intituled "An Act respecting the Town of Wiarton."—Mr. Bowman. Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 169), intituled "An Act to amend the Toll Roads Expropriation Act."—Mr. Brower.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 25), Respecting the Town of Goderich and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Pardee reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Mr. Miscampbell asked the following Question :—

What year were the following Townships sold by the Government, *viz* :—Townships No. 52, 53, 56, 48, 64, and Townships of Trill, Cascadden, Foster, Morgan and Levack. What amount of bonus was paid for each Township. What amount of dues has the Government received for pine and other woods cut in each Township. What amount of ground rent has the Government received. What was the estimate returned to Department of amount of pine upon each of the above Townships.

To which the Commissioner of Crown Lands replied with the following statement :—

Berth.	Date of sale.	Bonus received.	Ground rent received.	Dues received.
Berth 48.....	Oct. 15, 1872.....	\$ 7,200 00	\$ 2,700 00	\$121,093 20
" 52.....	" "	6,660 00	2,052 00	65,396 28
" 53.....	" "	15,480 00	2,700 00	107,780 39
" 56.....	" "	3,060 00	2,700 00	89,497 09
" 64.....	" "	2,340 00	2,592 00	12,667 55
Township Trill	" "	1,620 00	2,700 00	.....
" Foster	" "	6,875 00	2,700 00	.....
" Cascadden	" "	1,260 00	2,700 00	.....
" Morgan	Oct. 13, 1892.....	373,650 00	1,080 00	21,561 17
" Levack.....	Sept. 17, 1901.	159,100 00	111 00	.....

The House having said, by Resolution, that it would not be in the public interest to bring down estimates of berths and upset prices of limits, the part of the question which asks for that information is not answered.

Mr. Carscallen asked the following Question :—

1. How many inspectors are there now acting, as such, under the provisions of "The Ontario Factories Act." 2. What is the name and address of the several inspectors. 3. Into how many districts has the Province been divided, under the Act. 4. What is the name of inspector for each district. 5. How often has each inspector reported, in writing, during the past year. 6. Is there an index, or list of the several factories to which the Act applies, kept by the Department or Bureau of Labor.

To which the Minister of Agriculture replied as follows :—

Four inspectors are now acting under the provisions of "The Ontario Factories Act," three male and one female.

Their names are : J. R. Brown, Jas. T. Burke, O. A. Rocque and Miss M. Carlyle.

O. A. Rocque's address is Orleans, Ont.; the address of the other inspectors is the Department of Agriculture, Toronto.

For the purpose of factory inspection, the Province is divided into three districts; Mr. Rocque takes the Eastern District, Mr. Brown the Central, and Mr. Burke the Western District.

The interests of female employees throughout the Province are looked after by Miss Carlyle, whose duty it is to inspect all factories and places of business where females are employed.

Inspectors Brown, Burke and Carlyle report personally to the Minister, as frequently as occasion requires. All the inspectors make, annually, a report on their work, which is printed.

The inspectors keep careful record of their visits to factories in their respective districts, and special books have been prepared, so that these visits may be more easily recorded and indexed for reference.

Mr. Lee asked the following Question :—

Is it the intention of the Government to make such change in the arrangement of the seats in the Legislative Chamber as to enable the members, in all parts thereof to hear more distinctly, the business before the Legislature.

To which the Premier replied in the negative.

The following Bills were severally read the second time :—

Bill (No. 54), Respecting the Sandwich, Windsor and Amherstburg Railway.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 46), Respecting the Essex and Kent Radial Railway Company.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 45), To incorporate the Durham Switch Line Railway Company.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 56), Respecting the establishment of the Carnegie Library in the City of Ottawa.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 55), Respecting the City of Ottawa

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 19), To incorporate the Ontario Electric Railway Company.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 23), Respecting the Town of Toronto Junction.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 51), To incorporate the Peterborough Radial Railway Company.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 76), To authorize the establishment of Coal Yards by Municipalities.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 140), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 148), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 149), To amend the Public Parks Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 150), To amend the Public Libraries Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Mr. Davis presented to the House, by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor :—

Report of the Commissioner of Crown Lands for the year 1901. (*Sessional Papers No. 3.*)

The House then adjourned at 4.10 p.m.

Tuesday, 18th February, 1902.

PRAYERS.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Gibson, the Petition of the Township Council of Arthur.

By Mr. Davis, the Petition of W. W. Shields and others of Mount Albert.

By Mr. Kribs, the Petition of the Ayr W. C. T. U.; also, the Petition of Preston R. T. of T.

By Mr. Guibord, the Petition of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church ; also, the Petition of James Dale and others of Cumberland.

By Mr. Matheson, the Petition of the Township Council of Montague.

By Mr. Beatty (Leeds), the Petition of the Township of Rear of Leeds and Landdowne.

By Mr. Russell, the Petition of the Amalgamated Association of Street Railway *Employees* of America, Toronto; also, the Petition of Brotherhood of Bookbinders, No. 28; also, the Petition of Toronto Trades and Labor Council.

By Mr. Douglas, the Petition of W. H. Sherwood and others of Brighton.

By Mr. Smith, the Petition of the Township Council of Caledon.

By Mr. Monteith, the Petition of Avonbank Presbyterian Church.

By Mr. Hoyle, the Petition of Albert Division, No. 31, Prince Albert R. T. of T.; also, the Petition of David Cash and others of Prince Albert.

By Mr. Brown, the Petition of A. J. Saunders and others of Listowel.

By Mr. Fallis, the Petition of F. H. Philp and others of Port Hope.

By Mr. Carnegie, the Petition of David Chambers and others of Carnarvon.

By Mr. Fox, the Petition of Edward King and others of Oakwood.

By Mr. McKay, the Petition of the Brownsville W. C. T. U.

By Mr. Macdiarmid, the Petition of the City Council of St. Thomas ; also, the Petition of the Centre Street Baptist Church, St. Thomas ; also, the Petition of St Thomas First Methodist Church.

By Mr. Bridgland, the Petition of Huntsville Methodist Church.

By Mr. Breithaupt, the Petition of Berlin W. C. T. U.

By Mr. Auld, the Petition of the Township Council of Tilbury North.

By Mr. Malcolm, the Petition of Salem, Dobberton, and Gillis Hill Presbyterian Church ; also, the Petition of Neil D. McDougall and others of Tiverton ; also, the Petition of Tiverton Baptist Church.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of Gideon Kastner and others of Wiarton, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Huron and Bruce Railway Company.

Of E. F. B. Johnston and others of Toronto, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Canada Central Railway Company.

Of the Algoma Steel Company, Limited, praying that an Act may pass to confirm incorporation and extend powers of Company.

Of the Township Council of West Flamboro; also, of the Township Council of Belmont and Methuen; also, of the Township Council of Amabel; also, of the Township Council of East Zorra; also, of the Township Council of Dawn; also, of the Township Council of Sarnia, severally praying certain amendments to the County Councils Act, respecting the constitution of County Councils.

Of the County Council of Oxford, praying certain amendments to the Division Courts Act, respecting payment to Jurors.

Of the County Council of Wellington, praying certain amendments to the Act for the improvement of the Public Highways, enabling the Council to pass a By-law to secure to such townships, now suffering a shortage in road mileage, a fixed grant for improvement of other roads, &c.

Of W. Willson and others of Maple; also, of J. McLaughlin and others of London; also, of R. Young and others of Thamesford; also, of George Perry and others of New Toronto; also, of W. H. Parker and others of Mimico; also, of John Mitchell and others of Watford; also, of R. A. Bain and others of Opleston; also, of Rosedale Council No. 274, R. T. of T., Marthaville; also, of Nathan Stafford and others of Toronto; also, of Mount Albert Methodist Church; also, of Berlin W. C. T. U.; also, of Thomas Shields and others of Leamington; also, of W. Hartley and others of St. Thomas, severally praying for the enactment of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Mr. McKay, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented their Nineteenth Report, which was read as follows and adopted:—

The Committee have carefully examined the following Petitions, and find the notices as published in each case sufficient:—

Of the Pacific and Atlantic Railway Company, praying that an Act may pass to extend the time for commencement and completion of road.

Of Edmund Hall, trading under the name of the Sarnia Bay Mill, praying that an Act may pass enabling the Town of Sarnia to pass a by-law fixing assessment of the Company.

Of the Cleveland-Sarnia Saw Mills Company, Limited, praying that an Act may pass enabling the Town of Sarnia to pass a by-law fixing assessment of the Company.

Of the Hamilton Radial Electric Railway Company, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the Company to extend their line from Mimico to some point in the City of Toronto.

Of the County Council of Bruce; Thomas Dixon and others of Walkerton; the Children's Aid Society of Bruce, and the Bruce General Hospital Trust, praying that an Act may pass to ratify a certain agreement.

The Committee recommend that Rule No. 51 of this Honourable House be further suspended in this, that the time for receiving Petitions for Private Bills and the time for introducing Private Bills, to this Honourable House, be severally extended until and inclusive of Tuesday the 25th day of February instant.

Mr. McKay from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented their Twentieth Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully examined the Petition of the St. Thomas Street Railway company, praying that an Act may pass to amend Acts relating to the Company and for increase of powers, and find that notice of the proposed application to this Legislature has been published in the "Ontario Gazette" and in the "St. Thomas Weekly Times," a newspaper published in the County of Elgin, for the full time required by the Rules of this Honourable House, and that the notice also appeared in the "London Advertiser" in its issues of the 6th and 7th days of February instant.

A Declaration has also been filed with the Committee certifying that fifty posters containing copies of the notice were posted in conspicuous places along the London and Port Stanley gravel road, a road built through the territory where the Company propose to construct their line, from St. Thomas to London, also at the Villages of Lambeth, Tempo and Talbotville.

The Committee, however, find that whereas the notice published in the "Ontario Gazette" contains these words "and eastward through the Townships of Yarmouth and Malahide to the Town of Aylmer in the County of Elgin" the words are omitted from the notices as published in the local papers and also from the posters, so that no notice of this proposed route is given in any of the local publications.

The Committee therefore recommend that the attention of the Railway Committee be called to this matter, so that the location of the line be confined to the route as defined in the local notices.

Mr. Harcourt from the Standing Committee on Private Bills presented their Ninth Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered the following Bills :—

Bill (No. 67), " Respecting the Town of Perth,"

Bill (No. 52), " Respecting the Village of Alexandria."

Bill (No. 11), " To incorporate The Huronian Company, (Limited.)," and report the same with amendments respectively.

The Committee have also amended the preambles of the Bills.

Mr. Gibson from the Standing Committee on Railways presented their Seventh Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered the following Bills and have prepared certain amendments thereto respectively :—

Bill (No. 22), To amend the Act incorporating The Ontario Ship Railway Company and the Act 60 Victoria, chaptered 94.

Bill (No. 64), To incorporate the Huron, Bruce and Middlesex Electric Railway Company.

The Committee have also amended the Preamble to Bill (No. 22), so as to make the same conform with the facts as they were made to appear to the Committee.

The Committee recommend that Rule No. 51 of this Honourable House be further suspended in this, that the time for receiving petitions for Private Bills, and the time for introducing Private Bills to this Honourable House be severally extended until and inclusive of Tuesday, the 25th day of February instant.

Ordered, That the time for receiving Petitions for Private Bills, be further extended until and inclusive of Tuesday the 25th day of February instant.

Ordered, That the time for introducing Private Bills, be further extended until and inclusive of Tuesday the 25th day of February instant.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 47), intituled "An Act respecting the Hamilton Radial Electric Railway Company."—Mr. Carscallen.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 73), intituled "An Act respecting the Pacific and Atlantic Railway Company."—Mr. Farwell.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 70), intituled "An Act to confirm an agreement between the Corporation of the County of Bruce, the Executors of William John More, deceased, the Children's Aid Society of the County of Bruce and the County of Bruce General Hospital at Walkerton"—Mr. Truax.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 42), intituled "An Act respecting the St. Thomas Street Railway Company."—Mr. Brower.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 28), intituled "An Act respecting a certain By-law of the Town of Sarnia."—Mr. Pardee.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 170), intituled "An Act to amend the Act respecting the Office of Sheriff."—Mr Thompson.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Thursday next.

Bill (No. 171), intituled "An Act to amend the Toll Roads Expropriation Act."—Mr. Dickenson.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Thursday next.

Bill (No. 172), intituled "An Act respecting the Representation of the People in the Legislative Assembly."—Mr Jamieson.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Thursday next.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 7), To incorporate the Brantford Young Women's Christian Association having been read.

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith again referred to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Graham reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read a third time, and passed.

The following Bills were severally read a third time and passed:—

Bill (No. 20), Respecting the Presbyterian Ladies' College, Ottawa.

Bill (No. 18), Respecting the Village of Point Edward.

Bill (No. 29), To incorporate the Morrisburg Electric Railway Company.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 106), To further amend the Devolution of Estates Act and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Graham reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 80), Respecting Expert Witnesses and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Charlton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment,

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 129), to amend the Land Titles Act and, after some time spent therein, Mr Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Charlton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment,

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the second time :—

Bill (No. 90), To confirm an Agreement respecting the Victoria Niagara Falls Park.
Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 112), To divide the District of Rainy River for the Registration of Titles and Deeds.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 141), To amend the Separate Schools Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That there be granted to His Majesty, for the services of 1902, the following sums :—

26. To defray the expenses of the Asylum for the Insane, Toronto	\$101,729 00
27. To defray the expenses of the Asylum for the Insane, London	\$128,018 00
28. To defray the expenses of the Asylum for the Insane, Kingston.....	\$ 76,546 00
29. To defray the expenses of the Asylum for the Insane, Hamilton.....	\$125,017 00
30. To defray the expenses of the Branch Asylum at Mimico	\$ 75,558 00
31. To defray the expenses of the Asylum for the Insane, Brockville	\$ 76 713 00
32. To defray the expenses of the Asylum for Female Patients, Cobourg..	\$ 30,858 00
33. To defray the expenses of the Asylum for the Feeble Minded, Orillia..	\$ 62,718 00
34. To defray the expenses of the Central Prison, Toronto.....	\$ 62,450 00
38. To defray the expenses of the Andrew Mercer Reformatory, Toronto.	\$ 26,075 00
49. To defray the expenses of Hospitals and Charities	\$187,755 69
51. To defray the expenses of maintenance and repairs of Parliament and Departmental Buildings	\$ 39,240 00
59. To defray the expenses of works at the Asylum for the Insane, Toronto	\$ 7,707 00
60. To defray the expenses of works at Mimico Branch.....	\$ 6,325 00
61. To defray the expenses of works at the Asylum for the Insane, London	\$ 23,295 00
62. To defray the expenses of works at the Asylum for the Insane, Hamilton	\$ 8,260 00
63. To defray the expenses of works at the Asylum for the Insane, Kingston	\$ 10,000 00
64. To defray the expenses of works at the Asylum for the Insane, Brockville	\$ 6,355 00
65. To defray the expenses of works at the Asylum for the Insane, Cobourg	\$ 19,450 00
66. To defray the expenses of works at the Asylum for the Feeble-Minded, Orillia	\$ 7,600 00

67. To defray the expenses of works at the Central Prison, Toronto	\$ 8,400 00
68. To defray the expenses of works at the Reformatory, Penetanguishene \$	4,450 00
69. To defray the expenses of works at the Andrew Mercer Reformatory for females, Toronto	\$ 5,550 00

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Charlton reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions; also, That the Committee had directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-morrow.

Mr. Stratton presented to the House, by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor :—

Return to an Address to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, of the tenth day of April, 1901, praying that he will cause to be laid before this House, a Return of copies of all Orders in-council, correspondence and telegrams between the Government, or any official thereof, and the McNab Lumbering Company, Peter Ryan, John Bell, John Drynan, and any other person or persons, interested in the company, relating to certain lumber stored at Ingoldsby Station, and the timber dues thereon. (*Sessional Papers No. 65.*)

Also, Report of the Ontario Agricultural College and Experimental Farm for the year 1901. (*Sessional Papers No. 14.*)

Also—Return to an Order of the House of the twenty-fourth day of January last for a Return, of copies of all correspondence since January 1, 1901, between the Attorney-General, or any officer of his Department, and any other person or persons, relating to the export of Gas from the Province under any lease; also, copy of such lease; also, copy of any instructions to, and any report made by Mr. Stiff on the subject since said date; also, copy of any injunction served on the Sheriff of the County of Essex forbidding him to interfere with the pipes of any Gas Company. (*Sessional Papers No 66.*)

The House then adjourned at 10.10 p.m.

Wednesday, 19th February, 1902.

PRAYERS.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Davis, the Petition of the Township Council of Oneida; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Proton.

By Mr. Barber, the Petition of Thamesford Circle of St. Andrew's Church, King's Daughters and Sons.

By Mr. Malcolm, the Petition of P. S. McLaren and others of Tiverton ; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Huron.

By Mr. Pardo, the Petition of the County Council of Kent ; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Romney.

By Mr. Hoyle, the Petition of Prince Albert W. C. T. U.

By Mr. McLaughlin, the Petition of the County Council of the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry ; also, the Petition of Leslie Foster and others of Newington ; also, the Petition of William O. West and others of Northfield.

By Mr. Pardee, the Petition of the Village Council of Point Edward and the Sarnia Gas and Electric Light Company, Limited.

By Mr. Jessop, the Petition of Beamsville Epworth League of C. E. ; also, the Petition of Beamsville Baptist Church Y. P. S.

By Mr. Duff, the Petition of the County Council of Simcoe.

By Mr. Thompson, the Petition of the County Council of Simcoe.

By Mr. Allen, the Petition of the Township Council of Huntingdon.

By Mr. Hill, the Petition of Davenport Epworth League ; also, the Petition of Maple Methodist Church.

The following Petitions were read and received :

Of W. A. Meighen and others of Perth, praying that the Bill before the House to ratify certain by-laws of the Town of Perth, may not pass except under certain conditions.

Of the Township Council of Enniskillen ; also, of the Township Council of Edwardsburg ; also, of the Township Council of West Zorra, severally praying certain amendments to the County Councils Act, respecting the constitution of County Councils.

Of the City Council of Hamilton, praying certain amendments to the Manhood Suffrage Registration Act, respecting the cost of Polling and Registration places.

Of the Stella Methodist Church : also, of District Council of York R. T. of T. ; also, of Hamilton Union W. C. T. U. ; also, of Heathcote Methodist Church ; also, of Youmans W. C. T. U., Hamilton ; also, of F. J. Burrows and others of Seaforth ; also, of J. W. Andrews and others of Varna ; also, of James W. Mitchell and others of Blackheath ; also, of N. A. Hewson and others of Heathcote, severally praying for the enactment of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Mr. Harcourt, from the Standing Committee on Private Bills, presented their Tenth Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered the following Bills :—

Bill (No. 39), "To legalize certain By-laws and debentures of the Township of Orford and the Village of Dutton in aid of The Lake Erie and Detroit River Railway Company, and to ratify and confirm certain agreements made between the said Municipalities and the said Railway Company in respect thereof."

Bill (No. 21), "Respecting the City of Toronto," and report the same with amendments respectively.

The Committee have amended the Title of Bill (No. 39), so that the same now reads :—

"An Act to legalize certain By-laws in aid of the Lake Erie and Detroit River Railway Company."

The Committee have also amended the preamble of Bill (No. 21)

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 173), intituled "An Act to amend the Electric Railway Act."—Mr. Pattullo.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 174), intituled "An Act to amend the Agriculture and Arts Act."—Mr. Hoyle.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 175), intituled "An Act respecting Civil Engineers."—Mr. Gross.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

The following Bills were severally read the third time and passed :—

Bill (No. 8), Respecting the Synod of the Diocese of Niagara.

Bill (No. 13), To confirm By-law No. 348 of the Village of Paisley.

Bill (No. 49), To amend the Act of Incorporation of the Toronto Stock Exchange.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 24), To amend the Act to incorporate Grace Hospital (Homœopathic) having been read.

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith again referred to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Graham reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time and passed.

Mr. Kribs asked the following Question :—

Is it the intention of the Government to build additions to the Orillia Asylum for Idiots and the Belleville Asylum for the Deaf and Dumb, or is it the intention to build other Asylums, to accommodate the idiots and deaf mutes who are applying for admission to these Institutions.

To which the Provincial Secretary replied as follows :—

The Government has not in contemplation the erection of an addition to the Orillia Asylum for Idiots this year.

The Ontario Institution for the Deaf and Dumb is able to accommodate those desirous of availing themselves of its advantages.

The accommodation of the Asylums at present, permits of meeting the most pressing demands for admission.

Mr. Matheson asked the following Question :—

1. Has a Registrar of Deeds been appointed for East Algoma. 2. If so, who has received the appointment. 3. If no appointment has been made, who is receiving the emoluments of the office. 4. Will the new appointee receive the amount voted to the late Registrar, viz., \$800 in addition to the fees of the office.

And the Attorney-General replied as follows :—

Thomas Hughson Murray, of Sault Ste. Marie, was appointed Registrar of Deeds for Algoma, *pro tem*, in the room and stead of R. A. Lyon, deceased. Appointment was made on the 7th November, 1901.

Former salary was \$800, but no salary has been paid since Mr. Lyon's death.

Mr. Carscallen asked the following Question :—

1. Is it a fact that binder twine made by the Plymouth Cordage Company, of Plymouth, Mass., U.S.A., known as "Plymouth Special," is imported, either directly or indirectly, by the Central Prison authorities, or by any person or contractor, having any rights or privileges in that institution, or by the Government, and received at the Central Prison, relabelled and sold to farmers under the description of "Farmers Special." 2. What quantity of binder twine known as "Plymouth Special" was imported and received at the Central Prison during the years 1900 and 1901 respectively. 3. What quantity of binder twine was actually manufactured at the Central Prison during the first nine months of 1901, and how much thereof was sold during that period. 4. What was the actual cost of the bag and halter, respectively, sold or given to the purchaser of 60 pounds of binder twine and what charge, if any, was made for the bag and halter. 5. What was the cost of the binder twine *per* pound bought from the Plymouth Cordage Company, or

its agent, and what was charged the purchaser. 6. Who is the agent, at Toronto, of the Plymouth Cordage Company of Plymouth, Mass. 7. Has that Company an agency in Toronto.

And the Provincial Secretary replied as follows :—

1—2 No binder twine has been imported by the Government or the Central Prison. The Government does not interfere with the private business of the contractor.

3 There was manufactured 44,850 lbs, of binder twine in the first nine months of 1901, a quantity about equal to that sold direct to farmers the previous year. It was all sold.

4 The cost of the bag and halters would be about 35 cents. The bag and halters were included in the price.

5. The Central Prison, or the Government, have not purchased any twine from any Company.

6—7. The information as to who the agent at Toronto, of the Plymouth Cordage Company of Plymouth, Mass., is, might perhaps be best obtained from the Company as the Government has had no dealing with them.

Mr. Matheson asked the following Question :—

Have any agreements been executed between the Government, Messieurs Warwick Brothers and Rutter, and G. N. Morang, permitting the latter to publish school books. If so, at what date were such agreements executed, and what school books are included in the agreements. Have either of the parties, or any member of their firms, acquired the right of any of the firms originally authorized to publish the readers.

To which the Minister of Education replied as follows :—

No such agreements have been executed. I do not know whether either of the parties, or any members of their firms, have acquired the right of any of the firms originally authorized to publish the readers.

Mr. Matheson asked the following Question :—

What was the date of the authorization of the Purcell Public School Grammar. Is the grammar still authorized. If so, have the publishers any supply of them on hand, and can they be obtained by booksellers. Have the Government taken any steps to compel the publishers to keep a supply of the grammars for sale.

And the Minister of Education replied :—

No "Purcell" Public School Grammar was ever authorized in Ontario. It is probable that my honourable friend may have in mind the authorized Public School Grammar which was prepared by Dr. Purslow of Port Hope, and which was in use for several years.

"June 24th, 1887," was the date of the Agreement between the Education Department and the Canada Publishing Company in regard to the (Purslow) "Public School Grammar."

No distinction has been made in the authorized list of books, between the old and new edition of the "Public School Grammar," as the new book was intended to gradually supersede the old one with the minimum of trouble, expense, and loss to pupils, parents, teachers, and the booksellers.

The old Grammar may, however, be continued as long in use as considered desirable by trustees and teachers (or so long as copies can be obtained) by trustees complying from year to year, with clause No. 4 of the Departmental Regulations No. 14, which reads as follows :

"4. Any text book used in any school on the 1st of July, 1901, and recommended by resolution of the Trustees to be continued in use, shall be deemed as authorized in such school until further notice."

The Publishers of the "Public School Grammar" state that they have no supply of the old Grammar on hand, and that for upwards of a year there has virtually been no demand for them. An odd half-dozen copies might possibly have been sold now and again, but these were chiefly wanted for the North West and not for Ontario Schools. It is reported that small quantities of the old book were returned for exchange to some of the wholesale houses after the new book came out, and that these copies about satisfied the then existing demand for the old edition. Odd copies of the book can doubtless still be had at retail stores and second-hand book shops.

The Department has taken no steps to compel the Publishers to print any more of the old book, as there has been no demand to warrant any such action.

Mr. Matheson asked the following Question :—

How much of the cash subsidy voted to the Ontario and Rainy River Railway was unpaid at the end of the year 1901. What cash subsidies have been paid during the year 1902, and have the subsidies been paid in cash or in Railway Certificates.

And the Premier replied as follows :—

Of the cash subsidies voted to the Ontario and Rainy River Railway, there was unpaid at the end of the year 1901, \$620,000

No cash subsidies have been paid during the year 1902. All the subsidies have been paid in Railway Certificates.

Scrip for 100 miles is now in process of preparation, amounting to \$400,000, and is included in the above sum of \$620,000.

On motion of Mr. Kribs, seconded by Mr. McLaughlin,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of a copy of the Report of Mr. Chipman, Government Engineer, on the best method by which the Spring floods on the Grand River, at the Town of Galt, can be prevented.

On motion of Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Lumsden,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return shewing the number of visiting Committees appointed under the provisions of the Act respecting Neglected and Dependent Children.

On motion of Mr. Jessop, seconded by Mr. Boyd,

Ordered, That Bill (No. 4), Respecting the Port Dalhousie, St. Catharines and Thorold Electric Street Railway Company, be recommitted to the Standing Committee on Railways for further consideration and report.

The following Bills were severally read the second time :—

Bill (No. 77), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 85), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 145), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 147), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 153), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 154), To amend the Assessment Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 155), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 156), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Mr. Charlton from the Standing Committee on Public Accounts presented their Second Report, which was read as follows :—

The Committee respectfully request the concurrence of this Honourable House in the following Resolution :—

“That all statements of transfers of receipts from the Crown Lands Department to the Treasury Department for the months of March, April, and May, 1899, be brought down and referred to the Public Accounts Committee with power to the Committee to send for all persons required to give evidence.”

Resolved, That this House doth concur in the Second Report of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

The House resolved itself into a Committee, severally to consider the following Bills :—

Bill (No. 31), To amend the Act incorporating the Woodstock, Thames Valley and Ingersoll Electric Railway Company.

Bill (No. 41), Respecting the Windsor, Essex and Lake Shore Rapid Railway Company,

Bill (No. 54). Respecting the Sandwich, Windsor and Amherstburg Railway.

Bill (No. 46), Respecting the Essex and Kent Radial Railway Company.

Bill (No. 45), To incorporate the Durham Switch Line Railway Company.

Bill (No. 56), Respecting the establishment of the Carnegie Library in the City of Ottawa.

Bill (No. 55), Respecting the City of Ottawa.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Charlton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the several Bills without amendments.

Ordered, That the Bills reported, be severally read the third time To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That there be granted to His Majesty, for the services of 1902, the following sums :—

35. To defray the expenses of the Reformatory for Boys, Penetanguishene	\$ 26,550 00
70. To defray the expenses of works at the Blind Institute, Brantford . . .	\$ 2,800 00
71. To defray the expenses of works at the Deaf and Dumb Institute, Belleville	\$ 3,545 00
72. To defray the expenses of works at the Agricultural College, Guelph..	\$ 14,100 00
73. To defray the expenses of works at the Normal and Model School, Toronto	\$ 1,150 00
74. To defray the expenses of works at the Normal School, Ottawa	\$ 3,200 00
75. To defray the expenses of works at the Normal School, London	\$ 3,350 00
76. To defray the expenses of works at the School of Practical Science . . .	\$ 108,250 00
77. To defray the expenses of works at Osgoode Hall	\$ 1,100 00
78. To defray the expenses of equipment, works, furnishing and fitting up of new Parliament and Departmental Buildings	\$ 900 00

79. To defray the expenses of works in the District of Algoma.....	\$ 4,000 00
80 To defray the expenses of works in the Thunder Bay District.....	\$ 1 300 00
81. To defray the expenses of works in the Muskoka District.....	\$ 2,000 00.
82 To defray the expenses of works in the Parry Sound District.....	\$ 1,450 00
83. To defray the expenses of works in the Nipissing District	\$ 1,100 00
84. To defray the expenses of works in the Rainy River District.....	\$ 3,000 00
85. To defray the expenses of works, Reformatory for Boys, County of Oxford	\$ 30,000 00
40. To defray the expenses of special grants for Agricultural purposes ..	\$153,950 00
41. To defray the expenses of Ontario Agricultural College	\$ 34,599 00
43. To defray the expenses of Experimental Plots	\$ 6,653 00

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Charlton reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions; also, That the Committee had directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 122), To amend the Election Act having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged and the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 151), To amend the Election Act having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 152), To amend the Manhood Suffrage Registration Act having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

Mr. Stratton presented to the House by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor:—

Report of the Assessment Commission, 1902. (*Sessional Papers No. 48*)

The House then adjourned at 11 p.m.

Thursday, 20th February, 1902.

PRAYERS.

3 O'CLOCK P. M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table:—

By Mr. Ross, the Petition of Wardsville Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of A. McKellar and others of Komoka ; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Limerick.

By Mr. Gibson, the Petition of the Township Council of West Garafraxa.

By Mr. Matheson, the Petition of the Township Council of Elmsley North ; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Bathurst.

By Mr. Lumsden, the Petition of the City Council of Ottawa.

By Mr. McKay, the Petition of the Township Council of North Oxford ; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Dereham.

By Mr. Beatty (Parry Sound), the Petition of John Becket and others of Sundridge ; also, the Petition of James Vanmier and others of Magnetawan ; also the Petition of the Magnetawan Presbyterian Church ; also, the Petition of Burk's Falls Baptist Church ; also, the Petition of the Reverend Thomas Bingham and others of Burk's Falls ; also, the Petition of Knox Church, Sundridge.

By Mr. Leys, the Petition of the City Council of London.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Township Council of Arthur ; also, of the Township Council of Caledon ; also, of the Township Council of Montague ; also, of the Township Council of Rear of Leeds and Lansdowne ; also, of the Township Council of Tilbury North, severally praying certain amendments to the County Councils Act, respecting the constitution of County Councils.

Of the City Council of St. Thomas, praying certain amendments to the Election Act, respecting the cost of Polling and Registration Places.

Of the Street Railway Employees Union ; also, of the Trades and Labour Council ; also, of the Brotherhood of Bookbinders No. 28, all of Toronto, severally praying that the City of Toronto and the County of York may be grouped into one large constituency, returning seven or more members to the Legislature.

Of the Tiverton Baptist Church ; also, of Neil D. McDougall and others of Tiverton ; also, of Salem, Dobbertson and Gillis Presbyterian Church ; also, of James Dale and others of Cumberland ; also, of Cumberland Presbyterian Church ; also, of Preston R. T. of T. : also, of Ayr W. O. T. U. ; also of W. W. Shields and others of Mount Albert ; also, of Brownsville W. C. T. U. ; also, of Centre Street Baptist Church, St. Thomas ; also, of Berlin W. O. T. U. ; also, of Huntsville Presbyterian Church ; also, of First Methodist Church, St. Thomas ; also, of Edward King and others of Oakwood ; also, of David Chambers and others of Carnarvon ; also, of T. H. Philp and others of Port Hope ;

also, of A. J. Saunders and others of Listowel ; also, of Albert Division No. 31, Prince Albert ; also, of David Cash and others of Prince Albert ; also, of Avonbank Presbyterian Church ; also, of W. A. Sherwood and others of Brighton, severally praying for the enactment of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Mr. Harcourt from the Standing Committee on Private Bills presented their Eleventh Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee having carefully considered the following Bills report the same with amendments respectively :—

Bill (No. 33), " Respecting the Town of Collingwood and the Collingwood Ship Building Company, Limited."

Bill (No. 30), " Respecting the Debenture Debt of the Town of Orillia,"

The Committee have amended the preambles of the Bills.

Bill (No. 26), " Respecting the Burying Grounds of St. Mary's Methodist Church, The First Presbyterian Church and St. James Episcopal Church of the Town of St. Mary's in the County of Perth," having been withdrawn, the Committee recommend that the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted.

Mr. Dryden from the Standing Committee on Railways presented their Eighth Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered the following Bills and have prepared certain amendments thereto respectively :—

Bill (No. 44), To incorporate the Petrolea Rapid Railway Company ;

Bill (No. 65), Respecting the Fort Erie Ferry Railway Company, and

Bill (No. 61), Respecting the Nepigon Railway Company.

The Committee have also amended the Preamble to Bill No. 65 so as to make the same conform with the facts as they were made to appear to the Committee.

Ordered, That the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on Bill (No. 26), St. Mary's Churches.

The following Bill was introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 176), intituled " An Act to amend the Drainage Act.—Mr. McKee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

The following Bills were severally read the third time and passed :—

Bill (No. 35), Respecting the First Coloured Calvinistic Baptist Church in Toronto.

Bill (No. 40), Respecting the Township Council of Pelee.

Bill (No. 25), Respecting the Town of Goderich.

Bill (No. 55), Respecting the City of Ottawa.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 90), To confirm an Agreement respecting the Victoria Niagara Falls Park, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Charlton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The following Bill was read the second time :—

Bill (No. 167), To amend the High Schools Act.

Referred to a Select Committee to be composed as follows :—Messieurs Harcourt, Latchford, Barber, Gross, Hill, Lumsden, Kidd, Hoyle, Foy, Macdiarmid and Matheson.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 112), To divide the District of Rainy River for the Registration of Titles and Deeds, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Charlton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the second time :—

Bill (No. 157), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 158), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 168), To amend the Assessment Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 107), To amend the Assessment Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 127), To amend the Assessment Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 160), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That there be granted to His Majesty, for the services of 1902, the following sums:—

42. To defray the expenses of Experimental Farm and Feeding	\$ 4,720 00
44. To defray the expenses of Experimental Dairy	\$ 2,520 00
45. To defray the expenses of Central Dairy School	\$ 3,555 00
47. To defray the expenses of Horticultural Department	\$ 5,304 00
48. To defray the expenses of Mechanical Department	\$ 875 00

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Charlton reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions; also, That the Committee had directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-morrow.

The House then adjourned at 5 05 p.m.

Friday, 21st February, 1902.

PRAYERS.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table:—

By Mr. Latchford, the Petition of Robert W. Brown and others of Oak Grove.

By Mr. Bridgland, the Petition of Edgar S. Baker and others of Huntsville.

By Mr. Dickenson, the Petition of the Township Council of Binbrook.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of the Village Council of Point Edward and the Sarnia Gas and Electric Light Company, Limited, praying that an Act may pass to ratify By-law No. 185, of the Village.

Of the County Council of Simcoe, praying that the cultivation of the Barberry Shrub may be prohibited.

Of the Township Council of Huron; also, of the Township Council of Proton; also, of the Township Council of Oneida; also, of the Township Council of Romney; also, of the Township Council of Huntingdon, severally praying certain amendments to the County Councils Act, respecting the constitution of County Councils.

Of the County Council of the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry, praying certain amendments to the High Schools Act, respecting the maintenance of pupils.

Of the County Council of Simcoe praying certain amendments to the Municipal Act, respecting sale by auctioneers.

Of the County Council of Kent, praying certain amendments to the Municipal Act, respecting the construction of drains.

Of P. S. McLaren and others of Tiverton ; also, of Thamesford King's Daughters and Sons, St. Andrews Church Circle ; also, of Prince Albert W. C. T. U. ; also, of Leslie Foster and others of Newington ; also, of William O. West and others of Northfield ; also, of Beamsville Epworth League of C. E. ; also, of Beamsville Baptist Church Y. P. S. ; also, of Davenport Epworth League ; also, of Maple Methodist Church, severally praying for the enactment of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Mr. Dryden from the Standing Committee on Railways, presented their Ninth Report which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered Bill (No. 63), To incorporate the Lake Superior, Long Lake and Albany River Railway Company and have prepared certain amendments to the Bill.

The Committee have also amended the Preamble to the Bill so as to make the same conform with the facts as they were made to appear to the Committee.

The following Bill was introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 177), intituled "An Act to amend the Ontario Companies Act."—Mr. Pardee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Tuesday next.

The following Bills were severally read the third time and passed :—

Bill (No. 91), To provide for the Revision of the Statute Law.

Bill (No. 92), Respecting Mortmain and the disposition of land for Charitable Uses.

Bill (No. 41), Respecting the Windsor, Essex and Lake Shore Rapid Railway Company.

Bill (No. 46), Respecting the Essex and Kent Radial Railway Company.

Mr. Lucas asked the following Question :—

Has the location of the route, or line, of the Manitoulin and North Shore Railway, from Mesford to Owen Sound been settled upon. If not, what, if any, material is before the Commissioner of Public Works upon which to reach a decision, or what material will be required before approving of any route. When is it expected that the route will be definitely settled.

To which the Commissioner of Public Works replied as follows :—

The location of the Manitoulin and North Shore Railway from Meaford to Owen Sound has not yet been submitted for approval. No material is yet before the Commissioner upon which to reach a decision in the premises. Surveys and profiles of the various routes, with estimates of their respective cost, will be required. It is expected that the route will be definitely settled before the 1st of May, 1902.

Mr. Little asked the following Question :—

Is it the intention of the Government to make a grant to a Provincial ploughing match this year. If so, where is the contest to be held and who makes the selection.

And the Minister of Agriculture replied :—

That it is not the intention of the Government, to make a grant to a Provincial ploughing match this year.

Mr. Little asked the following Question :—

Is it the intention of the Government, during the current Session, to amend the Barberry Shrub Act, so as to prohibit the cultivation and growth of the shrub.

To which the Minister of Agriculture replied as follows :—

The matter is under consideration.

Mr. Fox asked the following Question :—

Is it the intention of the Government to appoint another License Inspector, or sub-inspector, for the County of Victoria, or any part thereof. If so, what, if any, special reason exists for the appointment of any extra official.

And the Provincial Secretary replied as follows :—

It has been decided not to appoint another license or sub-inspector for the County of Victoria at present.

Mr. Thompson moved, seconded by Mr. Morrison,

That there be laid before this House, a Return of copies of all papers connected with the committal of one Mistress Catherine Foster, to the Asylum for the Insane, London, together with copies of all correspondence with the Government, or any official thereof, in connection with the maintenance of Mrs. Foster therein.

And a Debate having ensued, the motion was, by leave of the House, withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 136), To amend the Public Parks Act having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 165), To amend the County Councils Act having been read,

Mr. Barr moved,

That the Bill be now read the second time.

And the Motion, having been put, was lost on a Division.

And so it was declared in the negative.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 170), To amend the Act respecting the Office of Sheriff having been read,

Mr. Thompson moved,

That the Bill be now read the second time.

And a Debate ensuing, it was

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until Wednesday next.

The following Bills were severally read the second time :—

Bill (No. 162), Respecting Electric Railways.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 22), To amend the Act incorporating the Ontario Ship Railway Company and the Act 60 Victoria, chaptered 94.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 64), To incorporate the Huron, Bruce and Middlesex Electric Railway Company.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 67), Respecting the Town of Perth.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 52), Respecting the Village of Alexandria.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 11), To incorporate the Huronian Company (Limited.)

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 39), To legalize certain By-laws in aid of the Lake Erie and Detroit River Railway Company.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 21), Respecting the City of Toronto.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 33), Respecting the Town of Collingwood and the Collingwood Ship Building Company, Limited.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 30), Respecting the Debenture Debt of the Town of Orillia.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 44), To incorporate the Petrolea Rapid Railway Company.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 65), Respecting the Fort Erie Ferry Railway Company.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 61), Respecting the Nipigon Railway Company.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Mr. Stratton presented to the House, by command of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor :—

Report upon the registration of Births, Marriages and Deaths, for the year 1900.
(*Sessional Papers No. 9.*)

The House then adjourned at 4.20 p.m.

Monday, 24th February, 1902.

PRAYERS.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Dryden, the Petition of the Township Council of Reach.

By Mr. Davis, the Petition of the Township Council of Georgina.

By Mr. Charlton, the Petition of the Township Council of Charlotteville ; also, the Petition of Andrew Louks and others of Walsingham Centre.

By Mr. Preston, the Petition of the Township Council of Oakland ; also, the Petition of the Metal Polishers, Buffers and Platers ; also, the Petition of the Varnishers and Polishers Union ; also, the Petition of Electrical Workers' Union No. 114 ; also, the Petition of Tobacco Workers' Union, all of Toronto.

By Mr. Foy, the Petition of the Trustees of the Congregation of the Holy Blossom.

By Mr. Pardee, the Petition of D. Milne and others of Sarnia ; also, the Petition of the Oil Springs Presbyterian Church.

By Mr. Crawford, the Petition of the City Council of Toronto ; also, the Petition of B. H. Montgomery and others of Toronto.

By Mr. Farwell, the Petition of the Algoma Tube Works, Limited.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Township Council of Dereham ; also, of the Township Council of Limerick ; also, of the Township Council of West Garafraxa ; also, of the Township Council of Bathurst ; also, of the Township Council of Elmsley North ; also, of the Township Council of North Oxford, severally praying certain amendments to the County Councils Act, respecting the constitution of County Councils.

Of the City Council of London ; also, of the City Council of Ottawa, severally praying certain amendments to the Election Law, respecting the cost of polling and registration places.

Of Knox Church, Sundridge ; also, of Burk's Falls Methodist Church ; also, of Magnetawan Presbyterian Church ; also, of John Becket and others of Sundridge ; also, of A. McKellar and others of Komoka ; also, of Wardsville Methodist Church ; also, of James Vanmier and others of Magnetawan ; also, of the Reverend Thomas Bingham and others of Burk's Falls, severally praying for the enactment of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 178), intituled " An Act to amend the Manhood Suffrage Registration Act."—Mr. Gibson.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 179), intituled "An Act to amend the Joint Stock Companies Winding-up Act."—Mr. Gibson.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

The Order of the day for the third reading of Bill (No. 129), To amend the Land Titles Act, having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith again referred to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Charlton reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Mr. Jessop asked the following Question :—

Is it the intention of the Government to appoint a Registrar of Deeds for the County of Lincoln, before the General Elections.

To which the Attorney-General replied as follows :—

It is the intention to appoint a Registrar of Deeds for the County of Lincoln, so soon as a selection can be made, and to do so, without reference to the General Elections.

Mr. Brower asked the following Question :—

What amount was received by the Province from each County during the year 1901, as examination fees, or, as appeal fees from students, at each of the different Departmental Examinations. What, if any, other fees are payable by students at examinations.

To which the Minister of Education replied as follows :—

RECEIPTS BY WAY OF FEES FROM STUDENTS TRYING THE FOLLOWING EXAMINATIONS.

Junior Leaving, Part I.
Matriculation, Part I.
Junior Leaving, Part II.
Matriculation Part, II.
Senior Leaving.
Commercial (Diploma.)
Commercial (Special.)
Kindergarten.
Appeals.
Entrance.

RECEIPTS.

Brant	\$ 297 00	Lambton	\$ 466 00
Bruce	662 00	Lanark	444 00
Carleton	319 00	Leeds and Grenville	746 64
Dufferin	313 00	Lennox and Addington	267 00
Elgin	621 00	Lincoln	308 00
Essex	351 00	Middlesex	1,013 00
Frontenac	450 00	Norfolk	263 68
Grey	663 00	Northumberland and Durham...	494 00
Haldimand	205 00	Ontario	471 00
Haliburton	106 50	Oxford	448 00
Halton	160 00	Peel	241 00
Hastings	569 00	Perth	679 00
Huron	707 00	Peterborough	258 00
Kent	603 00	Prescott and Russell	287 00
Prince Edward	\$ 217 00	Algoma District	\$500 00
Renfrew	449 50	Manitoulin	
Simcoe	1,060 00	Muskoka	} 497 74
Stormont, Dundas & Glengarry	532 00	Nipissing	
Victoria	315 50	Parry Sound	
Waterloo	236 00	Rainy River, under Algoma ..	.....
Welland	391 00	Thunder Bay .....	.....
Wellington	766 00	Miscellaneous	6 00
Wentworth	740 00		
York	2,037 00	Total	\$ 20,160 56
Total Examination and appeal fees for 1901 (less refunds)			\$ 19,734 00

Entrance Examinations :—

County Councils may impose a fee not exceeding \$1 00 upon each pupil writing at the Entrance Examination. Boards of Trustees may impose similar fee upon resident and non-resident writing for the Entrance Examination at High Schools and Collegiate Institutes.

Normal Schools and Normal College :—

The fees for Examinations in these Institutions are included in the entrance fees credited to the respective institutions.

Art Examinations :—

The Education Department provides the examination papers and materials, but the school holding the examination must bear the expenses of the presiding examiner appointed by the Minister of Education. Examination fees are not charged.

County Model Schools :—

The Education Department provides the examination papers for the final examination at County Model Schools, but Boards of Trustees may impose a tuition fee not exceeding \$5.00 on each teacher-in-training, which covers the examinations. Examination fees proper are not charged.

Mr. Duff asked the following Question :—

In what respect is the gaol in Simcoe County considered to be in a dilapidated condition, by the Inspector of Prisons.

And the Provincial Secretary replied as follows :—

The Inspector in his report does not say that the gaol in Simcoe County is in a dilapidated condition, but he specifies some of the gaols of the Province, of which he says :—

“A few are in a dilapidated condition, unsafe for the custody of prisoners and without proper heating arrangements, water supply, water-closets, drainage, or a residence for the gaoler. The most notable instances are the gaols at Cobourg, Kingston, Barrie, Guelph, London, Sarnia, Woodstock and Perth. The attention of the County Councils has repeatedly been called to the necessity of making these improvements, but no action has been taken in that direction, and imperative measures will have to be taken to compel compliance with the statute in this respect.”

The Inspector says that the rooms now occupied by the gaoler in the Simcoe gaol are required for gaol purposes and that a residence should be supplied

On motion of Mr. Taylor, seconded by Mr. Blezard,

Ordered, That Bill (No. 64) To incorporate the Huron, Bruce and Middlesex Railway Company be recommitted to the Standing Committee on Railways for further consideration and report.

Mr. Hill moved, seconded by Mr. Preston,

That Bill (No. 23), Respecting the Town of Toronto Junction be recommitted to the Standing Committee on Private Bills for reconsideration and report.

And the Motion, having been put, was lost on a division.

And so it was declared in the negative.

The following Bill was read the second time :—

Bill (No. 116), To amend the Public Health Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

The House then adjourned at 3.50 p.m.

Tuesday, 25th February, 1902.

PRAYERS.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. McKay, the Petition of the Township Council of North Norwich.

By Mr. Russell, the Petition of the Broommakers Union ; also, the Petition of the Toronto Printing Press Association ; also, the Petition of Primrose Knights of Labour ; also, the Petition of Journeymen Bakers ; also, the Petition of Mayflower Assembly Knights of Labour, all of Toronto.

By Mr. Graham, the Petition of Boilermakers and Iron Shipbuilders Union ; also, the Petition of Stone Cutters Union ; also, the Petition of Wood Carvers Union ; also, the Petition of the Plumbers, Steam and Gas Fitters Union ; also, the Petition of Federated Metal Trades Council, all of Toronto.

By Mr. Dempsey, the Petition of Prince Edward Free Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of E. H. Allen and others of Picton.

By Mr. Hislop, the Petition of District Lodge, I. O. G. T., No. 24, of Huron.

By Mr. Garrow, the Petition of the Benmiller S. O. T. Pure Retreat Division No. 308 ; also, the Petition of Charles Walters and others of Benmiller.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Township Council of Binbrook, praying certain amendments to the County Councils Act, respecting the constitution of County Councils.

Of Robert W. Brown and others of Oak Grove ; also, of Edgar S. Baker and others of Huntsville, severally praying for the enactment of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Mr. McKay, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented their Twenty-first Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully examined the following Petitions, and find the notices as published in each case sufficient :—

Of Gideon Kastner and others of Warton, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Huron and Bruce Railway Company ;

Of the Algoma Steel Company, Limited, praying that an Act may pass to confirm incorporation and extend powers of Company ;

Of the Township Council of Cornwall, praying that an Act may pass to confirm By-law No. 678 of the Township of Cornwall ;

Of the Township Council of Cornwall, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm By-law No. 677 of the Township of Cornwall ;

Of E. F. B. Johnston and others, of Toronto, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Canada Central Railway Company ;

Of the Town Council of Rat Portage, praying that an Act may pass to change the name of the Municipality to that of "Kenora."

The Committee recommend that Rule No. 51 of this Honourable House be further suspended in this, that the time for introducing Private Bills be extended until Friday, the 28th day of February instant.

Mr. McKay, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented their Twenty-second Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully examined the Petition of the Trustees of the Congregation of the Church of "The Holy Blossom," praying that an Act may pass authorizing the sale of certain real estate, and find that no notice of the proposed application was published in "The Ontario Gazette" nor in any local newspaper.

The Committee find, that by the terms and provisions contained in a Trust Deed dated the 7th day of September, 1875, whereby said lands were conveyed to Trustees for the Congregation of Jews worshipping in the City of Toronto, called "The Holy Blossom," it was provided that the consent of the members of the Congregation held for such purpose, and called by written notice, signed by at least two Trustees, and affixed to the door of the house or usual place of worship upon two Sabbath days (that is to say two Saturdays) preceding the day of such meeting, at such hour, and for such a length of time upon each of such days, should be obtained before said lands should be sold.

A Declaration has been filed with the Committee certifying that the notice required to be given by the said Trust Deed has been given.

In view of the foregoing the Committee consider sufficient notice has been given to all parties interested, and would therefore recommend the suspension of the Rule, and that the notice as given be held sufficient.

Mr. Harcourt, from the Standing Committee on Private Bills, presented their Twelfth Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered the following Bills :—

Bill (No. 27), To enable the Trustees of the Jane Laycock Orphanage to sell certain lands in the County of Brant.

Bill (No. 48), To confer certain Powers on the trustees of the Will of the late John Bacon.

Bill (No. 28), Respecting a certain By-law of the Town of Sarnia.

And report the same with certain amendments respectively.

The Committee have also amended the preambles of the Bills.

The Committee recommend that the fees, less the actual cost of the printing, be remitted on Bill (No. 27), on the ground that the same relates to an Educational Institution.

Bill (No. 1), To enable the Surrogate Court of the County of Oxford to grant probate of the writing signed by the late John Dunlop as his last will having been reported against by the Commissioners of Estate Bills, the Committee recommend that the fees, less the actual cost of the printing, be remitted.

The Committee also recommend that Rule No. 51 of this Honourable House be further suspended in this, that the time for receiving reports of Committees on Private Bills, be extended until Tuesday the 4th day of March next.

Mr. Dryden, from the Standing Committee on Railways, presented their Tenth Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered the following Bills and have prepared certain amendments thereto respectively :—

Bill (No. 69), To incorporate the Canada Western Railway Company; and Bill (No. 34), Respecting the Hamilton, Ancaster and Brantford Railway Company.

The Committee have also amended the Preamble to Bill (No. 69), so as to make the same conform with the facts as they were made to appear to the Committee,

The Committee recommend that Rule No. 51 of this Honourable House be further suspended in this, that the time for introducing Private Bills to this Honourable House be further extended until and inclusive of Friday, the 28th day of February, instant, and the time for receiving Reports of Committees relative to Private Bills, be further extended until and inclusive of Tuesday, the 4th day of March next.

Ordered, That the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on Bill (No. 27), Jane Laycock Orphanage, and on Bill (No. 1), Will of John Dunlop.

Ordered, That the time for introducing Private Bills, be extended to and inclusive of Friday the twenty-eight day of February instant.

Ordered, That the time for receiving Reports of Committees on Private Bills, be extended until Monday the fourth of March next.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 74), intituled "An Act to incorporate the Huron and Bruce Railway Company."—Mr. Farwell.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 75), intituled "An Act respecting the Algoma Steel Company, Limited."—Mr. Farwell.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 68), intituled "An Act confirming a certain By-law and agreement of the Municipal Corporation of the Township of Cornwall."—Mr. McLaughlin.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 71), intituled "An Act confirming a certain By-law of the Township of Cornwall."—Mr. McLaughlin.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 182), intituled, "An Act to amend the High Schools Act."—Mr. Gross.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Thursday next.

Bill (No. 183), intituled "An Act to amend the Toll Roads Expropriation Act."—Mr. McKay.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Thursday next.

Bill (No. 184), Respecting the University of Toronto and University College.—Mr. Harcourt.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the third time and passed :—

Bill (No 16), Respecting the Pembroke Southern Railway Company.

Bill (No. 43), To incorporate the Toronto Canoe Club.

Bill (No. 3), To enable Louis Gagné to practise Medicine and Surgery in certain Townships.

Bill (No. 80), Respecting Expert Witnesses.

Bill (No. 45), To incorporate the Durham Switch Line Railway Company.

On motion of Mr. Ross, seconded by Mr. Gibson,

Resolved, That on and after Monday next, for the remainder of the Session, Government Business shall have precedence over all other business.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 141), To amend the Separate Schools Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Charlton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the second time :—

Bill (No. 98), The Temiskaming and Northern Ontario Railway Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 100), To amend the Jurors' Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 144), To amend the San José Scale Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the House to again resolve itself into the Committee of Supply, having been read,

Mr. Ross moved,

That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair, and that the House do again resolve itself into the Committee.

Mr. Crawford moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Carscallen,

That all the words of the motion after the word "That" be struck out and the following substituted therefor: "in the opinion of this House it is the duty of the Provincial Government, to, without delay, urge upon the Government of Canada, the necessity of taking steps to obtain for the people of this Province, cheaper rates for the transportation of agricultural products."

And the Amendment, having been put, was lost on the following division :—

YEAS.

Messieurs :

Allen	Eller	Little	Pyne
Beatty (Leeds.)	Fallis	Matheson	Reid (Durham.)
Brower	Foy	Miscampbell	Robson
Carnegie	For	Monteith	Thompson
Colquhoun	Hoyle	Morrison	Tucker
Crawford	Joynt	Macdiarmid	Wardell
Dempsey	Kidd	McDonald	Whitney—30
Duff	Kriss		

NAYS.

Messieurs :

Auld	Charlton	Guthord	McKee
Aylsworth	Conmee	Harcourt	Pardee
Barber	Davis	Hill	Pense
Beatty (Parry Sound)	Dickenson	Hislop	Petrypiece
Bleward	Douglas	Holmes	Preston
Bowman	Dryden	Latchford	Richardson
Bridgland	Farwell	Loughrin	Ross
Brown	Gibson	Malcolm	Russell
Burt	Graham	Munro	Stratton
Caldwell	Gross	Mutrie	Taylor—41
Carpenter			

PAIRS.

Garrow	....	....	....	....	Carscallen.
Lumsden	....	....	....	....	Powell.
Patullo	....	....	....	....	Barr.
Lays	....	....	....	....	McLaughlin.
Truax	....	....	....	....	Jessop.
Breithaupt	....	....	....	....	Boyd.
Fardo	....	....	....	....	Marter.
Lee	....	....	....	....	Lucas.
McKay	....	....	....	....	Reid (Addington.)
Clarke	....	....	....	....	Jamieson.
Smith	....	....	....	....	Gallagher.

The Original Motion, having been then again put, was carried on the following division :—

YEAS.

Messieurs :

Auld	Charlton	Guibord	McKee
Aylsworth	Conmee	Harcourt	Pardee
Barber	Davis	Hill	Pense
Beatty (Parry Sound.)	Dickenson	Hislop	Pettypiece
Bleazard	Douglas	Holmes	Preston
Bowman	Dryden	Latchford	Richardson
Bridgland	Farwell	Loughrin	Ross
Brown	Gibson	Malcolm	Russell
Burt	Graham	Munro	Stratton
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Brower	Foy	Miscampbell	Robson
Carnegie	Fox	Monteith	Thompson
Colquhoun	Hoyle	Morrison	Tucker
Crawford	Joynt	Macdiarmid	Wardell
Dempsey	Kidd	McDonald	Whitney—30
Duff	Kribs		

PAIRS.

Garrow	....	....	....	....	....	Carscallen.
Lumsden	....	....	....	....	....	Powell.
Pattullo	....	....	....	....	....	Barr.
Leys	....	....	....	....	....	McLaughlin.
Traux	....	....	....	....	....	Jessop.
Breithaupt	....	....	....	....	....	Boyd.
Pardo	....	....	....	....	....	Marter.
Lee	....	....	....	....	....	Lucas.
McKay	....	....	....	....	....	Reid (Addington.)
Clarke	....	....	....	....	....	Jamieson.
Smith	....	....	....	....	....	Gallagher.

And the House accordingly, again resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That there be granted to His Majesty, for the services of 1902, the following sums :—

86. To defray the expenses of Public Works.....	\$ 62,201 00
87. To defray the expenses of Colonization and Mining Roads	\$ 146,975 00

90. To defray the expenses of the Re-fund Account, on Education Account	\$ 1,000 00
91. To defray the expenses of the Refund Account, on Crown Lands Account	\$ 18,500 00
92. To defray the expenses of the Municipalities Fund	\$ 486 64
93. To defray the expenses of the Land Improvement Fund	\$ 2,579 98

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Charlton reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions ; also, That the Committee had directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-morrow.

Mr. Stratton presented to the House, by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor :—

Report of the Inspector of San José Scale. (*Sessional Papers No. 57.*)

Also—Report of W. T. Jennings, Esquire, M.S.C.E., upon the cause of damage by high water and ice in the Grand River at Galt, Ontario. (*Sessional Papers No. 69.*)

The House then adjourned at 11.20 p.m.

Wednesday, 26th February, 1902.

PRAYERS.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Davis, the Petition of J. Mahon and others of Ballantrae.

By Mr. Stratton, the Petition of the Town Council of Peterborough.

By Mr. Foy, the Petition of G. A. Gordon and others of Toronto.

By Mr. Carnegie, the Petition of the Reverend G. Horton and others of Bobcaygeon.

By Mr. Allen, the Petition of the Township Council of Tudor and Cashel.

By Mr. Blezard, the Petition of the Township Council of Dummer.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Algoma Tube Works, Limited, praying that an Act may pass to confirm their Act of Incorporation.

Of D. Milne and others of Sarnia, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Lambton Central Railway Company.

Of the Trustees of the Church of the "Holy Blossom," Toronto, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the sale of certain property in the City of Toronto.

Of the Township Council of Reach ; also, of the Township Council of Oakland ; also, of the Township Council of Georgina ; also, of the Township Council of Charlottetown severally praying certain amendments to the County Councils Act, respecting the constitution of County Councils.

Of B. H. Montgomery and others ; also, of Varnishers and Polishers Union No. 65 ; also, of Electrical Workers No. 114 ; also, of Metal Polishers, Buffers and Platers Union ; also, of Tobacco Workers Union, all of Toronto, severally praying that the whole of the City of Toronto and the whole, or part of the County of York, may be grouped into one large constituency returning seven or more members to the Legislature by the Hare system of Proportionate Representation.

Of the City Council of Toronto praying certain amendments to the Election Act, respecting the cost of Polling and Registration Places.

Of Oil Springs Presbyterian Church ; also, of Andrew Louks and others of Walsingham Centre, severally praying for the enactment of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Mr. Dryden, from the Standing Committee on Railways, presented their Eleventh Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered the following Bills, and have prepared certain amendments thereto respectively :—

Bill (No. 73), Respecting the Pacific and Atlantic Railway Company, and

Bill (No. 53), Respecting the Ontario, Hudson's Bay and Western Railways Company ;

The Committee have also amended the Preambles to the Bills so as to make the same conform with the facts as they were made to appear to the Committee.

The Committee have also reconsidered Bill (No. 4), Respecting the Port Dalhousie, St. Catharines and Thorold Electric Street Railway Company, Limited, recommended to the Committee for further consideration, and report the Bill without amendment.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 185), intituled "An Act to amend the Ontario Controverted Elections Act."—Mr. Matheson.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 186), intituled "An Act to amend the Act respecting the Representation of the People in the Legislative Assembly.—Mr. Gibson.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 187), intituled "An Act to amend the Real Property Limitation Act."—Mr. F-y.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

The following Bill was read the third time and passed :—

Bill (No. 54), Respecting the Sandwich, Windsor and Amherstburg Railway.

Mr. Little asked the following Question :—

Why has Mr. Delby Bennett of the Fairview Creamery, Russelltown, not received the Government Bonus for cold storage, for which he was an applicant.

To which the Minister of Agriculture replied as follows :—

No application has been received from Mr. Delby Bennett of the Fairview Creamery, Russelltown, for a grant towards a building erected for cold storage purposes.

Mr. Carpenter moved, seconded by Mr. Bowman,

That (Bill No. 63), To incorporate the Lake Superior, Long Lake and Albany River Railway Company, be recommitted to the Standing Committee on Railways for further consideration and report.

And a Debate ensuing, the motion was, by leave of the House, withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 120), To amend the Public Schools Act having been read,

Mr. Hill moved,

That the Bill be now read the second time.

And the Motion, having been put, was lost on a Division.

And so it was declared in the Negative.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 130), To establish a Government Printing Bureau having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 131), To amend the Municipal Act having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged and the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 146), To amend the Division Courts Act having been read,

Mr. Barr moved,

That the Bill be now read the second time.

And the Motion, having been put, was lost on a Division.

And so it was declared in the Negative.

The following Bills were severally read the second time :—

Bill (No. 133), To amend the Loan Corporations Act.

Referred to the Legal Committee.

Bill (No. 142), Respecting the Street Railway Act.

Referred to the Legal Committee.

Bill (No. 161), To amend the Local Courts Act.

Referred to the Legal Committee.

Bill (No. 171), To amend the Toll Roads Expropriation Act.

Referred to the Legal Committee.

Bill (No. 173), To amend the Electric Railway Act.

Referred to the Railway Committee.

Bill (No. 176), To amend the Drainage Act.

Referred to the Legal Committee.

Bill (No. 63), To incorporate the Lake Superior, Long Lake and Albany River Railway Company.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 69), To incorporate the Canada Western Railway Company.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 34), Respecting the Hamilton, Ancaster and Brantford Railway Company.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 27), To enable the trustees of the Jane Laycock Orphanage to sell certain lands in the County of Brant.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 48), To confer certain powers on the trustees of the Will of the late John Bacon.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 28), Respecting a certain By-law of the Town of Sarnia.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee, severally to consider the following Bills :—

Bill (No. 12), Respecting the Town of Peterborough.

Bill (No. 67), Respecting the Town of Perth.

Bill (No. 11), To incorporate the Huronian Company (Limited.)

Bill (No. 19), To incorporate the Ontario Electric Railway Company.

Bill (No. 51), To incorporate the Peterborough Radial Railway Company.

Bill (No. 22), To amend the Act incorporating the Ontario Ship Railway Company and the Act 60 Victoria, chaptered 94.

Bill (No. 61), Respecting the Nepigon Railway Company.

Bill (No. 39), To legalize certain By-laws in aid of the Lake Erie and Detroit River Railway Company.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Charlton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the several Bills with certain amendments.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bills reported, be severally read the third time To-morrow.

Mr. Charlton, from the Committee of Supply, reported the following Resolutions :

1. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand eight hundred and five dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Lieutenant-Governor's office for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

2. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seventeen thousand eight hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Executive Council and Attorney-General's office, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

3. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Nineteen thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Department of Education for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

4. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Sixty-six thousand seven hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Crown Lands Department, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

5. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty thousand nine hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Department of Public Works for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

6. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty thousand seven hundred and seventy-five dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Treasurer's office, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

7. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty thousand two hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Provincial Secretary's office for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

8. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seventeen thousand nine hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Inspection of Public Institutions, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

9. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Nine thousand nine hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Audit, License and Justice Accounts, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

10. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twelve thousand five hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Registrar-General's Branch, for the year ending 30th December, 1902.

11. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight thousand and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Provincial Board of Health, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

12. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Nineteen thousand five hundred and sixty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Department of Agriculture, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

13. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight thousand five hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Insurance Branch, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

14. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six thousand one hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Neglected Children's Branch, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

15. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twelve thousand four hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the Miscellaneous Expenses of Civil Government, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

16. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and thirty-three thousand one hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Legislation, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

17. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred and forty-eight thousand five hundred and eighty-one dollars and ninety-four cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Administration of Justice, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

18. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred and eighty-one thousand nine hundred and forty-nine dollars and eighty-seven cents be granted to His Majesty to

defray the expenses of Public and Separate Schools, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

19. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and nineteen thousand one hundred and seventy-five dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Collegiate Institutes and High Schools, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

20. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight thousand and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Provincial Museum and Library, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

21. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty thousand one hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the School of Practical Science, Toronto, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

22. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Sixty thousand nine hundred dollars be granted His Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Libraries, Art Schools, Literary and Scientific Institutions, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

23. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Ten thousand dollars be granted His Majesty to defray the expenses of Technical Education, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

24. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirteen thousand eight hundred and twenty-five dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the Miscellaneous expenses of Education, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

25. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Sixty-one thousand three hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Superannuated Public and High School Teachers, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

26. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and one thousand seven hundred and twenty-nine dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Asylum for the Insane at Toronto, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

27. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and twenty-eight thousand and eighteen dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Asylum for the Insane at London, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

28. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seventy-six thousand five hundred and forty-six dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Asylum for the Insane at Kingston, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

29. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and twenty-five thousand and seventeen dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Asylum for the Insane at Hamilton, for the year ending December 31st, 1902.

30. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seventy-five thousand five hundred and fifty-eight dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Mimico Branch of the Asylum for the Insane at Toronto, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

31. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seventy-six thousand seven hundred and thirteen dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Asylum for the Insane at Brockville, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

32. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Asylum for Female Patients, Coburg, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

33. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Sixty-two thousand seven hundred and eighteen dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Asylum for the Feeble Minded at Orillia, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

34. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Sixty-two thousand four hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Central Prison, Toronto, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

35. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-six thousand five hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Ontario Reformatory at Penetanguishene, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

36. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Forty-five thousand two hundred and eighty-four dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Institution for the Deaf and Dumb, Belleville, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

37. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty-two thousand seven hundred and one dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Institution for the Blind at Brantford, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

38. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-six thousand and seventy five dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Andrew Mercer Reformatory for Women and Refuge for Girls, Toronto, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

39. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand eight hundred and twenty-five dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Immigration, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

40. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and fifty-three thousand nine hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of special grants for Agricultural purposes, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

41. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty-four thousand five hundred and ninety-nine dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Ontario Agricultural College, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

42. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand seven hundred and twenty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Experimental Farm and Feeding, Agricultural College, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

43. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six thousand six hundred and fifty three dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Experimental Plots, Agricultural College, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

44. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand five hundred and twenty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Experimental Dairy, Agricultural College, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

45. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand five hundred and fifty-five dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Central Dairy School, Agricultural College, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

47. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five thousand three hundred and four dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Horticultural Department of Agricultural College, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

48. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight hundred and seventy-five dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Mechanical Department of Agricultural College, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

49. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and eighty-seven thousand seven hundred and fifty-five dollars and sixty-nine cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospitals and Charities, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

50. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight thousand seven hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of maintenance and repairs of Government House, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

51. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty-nine thousand two hundred and forty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of maintenance and repairs of Parliament and Departmental Buildings, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

52. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seven thousand eight hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of maintenance and repairs to the Education Department (Normal School Buildings), for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

53. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous Maintenance and Repairs, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

54. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand nine hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to pay the expenses of maintenance and repairs to the Normal and Model School, Ottawa, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

55. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand nine hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of maintenance and repairs to the Normal School, London, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

56. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand one hundred and twenty-five dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of maintenance and repairs to the School of Practical Science, Toronto, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

57. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight thousand two hundred dollars be granted to his Majesty to defray the expenses of maintenance and repairs to Agricultural College and Experimental Farm, Guelph, for the year ending 31st December, 1902

58. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight thousand nine hundred and eighty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of maintenance and repairs to Osgoode Hall, Toronto, for the year ending 31 t December, 1902.

59. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seven thousand seven hundred and seven dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the works at the Asylum for the Insane, Toronto, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

60. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six thousand three hundred and twenty-five dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the works at the Asylum for the Insane, Mimico, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

61. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-three thousand two hundred and ninety-five dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the works at the Asylum for the Insane, London, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

62. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight thousand two hundred and sixty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the works at the Asylum for the Insane, Hamilton, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

63. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Ten thousand dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the works at the Asylum for the Insane, Kingston, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

64. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six thousand three hundred and fifty-five dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of works at the Asylum for the Insane, Brockville, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

65. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Nineteen thousand four hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Asylum for Insane, Cobourg, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

66. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seven thousand six hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Asylum for the Feeble Minded at Orillia, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

67. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight thousand four hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of works at the Central Prison, Toronto, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

68. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand four hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of works at the Provincial Reformatory for boys, Penetanguishine, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

69. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five thousand five hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of works at the Reformatory for Females, Toronto, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

70. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand eight hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of works at the Blind Institute, Brantford, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

71. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand five hundred and forty-five dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of works at the Deaf and Dumb Institute, Belleville, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

72. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fourteen thousand one hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of works at the Agricultural College and Experimental Farm, Guelph, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

73. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand one hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of works at the Education Department and Normal and Model Schools, Toronto, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

74. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand two hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of works at the Normal and Model Schools, Ottawa, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

75. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand three hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of works at the Normal and Model School, London, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

76. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and eight thousand two hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of works at the School of Practical Science, Toronto, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

77. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand one hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of works at Osgoode Hall, Toronto, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

78. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Nine hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of works, equipment, furnishing, fitting up, etc., of new Parliament and Departmental Buildings, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

79. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of works in the District of Algoma, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

80. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand three hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of works in the Thunder Bay District, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

81. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of works in the Muskoka District, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

82. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand four hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of works in the Parry Sound District, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

83. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand one hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of works in the Nipissing District, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

84. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of works in Rainy River District, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

85. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty thousand dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of works at Reformatory for Boys, Oxford, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

86. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Sixty-two thousand two hundred and one dollars and seventy-one cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

87. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and forty-six thousand nine hundred and seventy-five dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of construction and repairs of Colonization and Mining Roads, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

90. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Refund Account, *re* Education for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

91. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eighteen thousand five hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Refund Account, *re* Crown Lands, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

92. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred and eighty-six dollars and sixty-four cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Refund Account, *re* Municipalities' Fund, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

93. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand five hundred and seventy-nine dollars and ninety-eight cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Refund Account, *re* Land Improvement Fund, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

The several Resolutions having been again read, it was

Ordered, That the Thirty-fifth, Thirty-eighth, Thirty-ninth, Sixty-eighth, Sixty-ninth, and Eighty-fifth Resolutions be postponed until To-morrow.

The remaining Resolutions were agreed to.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(*In the Committee.*)

Resolved, That there be granted to His Majesty, for the services of 1902, the following sums:—

88. To defray the expenses of Charges on Crown Lands, outside service and surveys	\$128,175 00
89. To defray the expenses of Mining Development.....	\$ 45,350 00
95. To defray Unforeseen and Unprovided Expenses	\$ 50,000 00
96. To defray expenses of Legislation, Public Institutions Maintenance and Salaries for month of January, 1903	\$ 80,000 00

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Charlton reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions ; also, That the Committee had directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-morrow.

The House then adjourned at 9.30 p.m.

Thursday, 27th February, 1902.

PRAYERS

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Brown, the Petition of the City Council of Stratford.

By Mr. Russell, the Petition of the Allied Printing Trades Council ; also, the Petition of Maple Leaf Assembly No. 1960, K. of L. ; also the Petition of Union No. 27 N.B.C.J. ; also the Petition of District Assembly No. 180, K. of L. ; also, the Petition of International Brotherhood of Blacksmiths No. 171, all of Toronto.

By Mr. Truax, the Petition of the Township Council of Culross.

By Mr. Caldwell, the Petition of the Township Council of Pakenham.

By Mr. Pardee, the Petition of James Miller and others of Oil Springs.

By Mr. Charlton, the Petition of the Township Council of Houghton.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Township Council of North Norwich, praying certain amendments to the County Councils Act, respecting the constitution of County Councils.

Of the Federated Metal Trades Council ; also, of the Plumbers, Steam and Gas Fitters Union ; also, of International Wood Carvers ; also, of Stone Cutters Union ; also, of Boiler-makers and Iron Ship-builders Union ; also, of Mayflower Assembly, Knights

of Labour ; also, of Journeymen Bakers Union ; also, of Printing Press Assistants and Feeders ; also, of Primrose Association, Knights of Labour ; also, of Broom makers Union, all of Toronto, severally praying for the grouping of the City of Toronto and the whole, or part of the County of York, into one large constituency, returning seven or more members to the Legislature, under the Hare system of Proportionate Representation.

Of Charles Walters and others of Benmiller ; also, of Benmiller S. O. T. Pure Retreat Division No. 308, ; also of E. H. Allen and others of Picton ; also, of District Lodge I. O. G. T. No. 24, of Huron ; also, of Prince Edward County Free Methodist Church, severally praying for the enactment of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 72), intituled “ An Act to change the name of Tilsonburg to Tillsonburg.”
—Mr. McKay.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 188), intituled “ An Act to amend the Registry Act.”—Mr. Caldwell.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 189), intituled “ An Act to amend the Election Act.”—Mr. Preston.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

The following Bill was read the third time and passed :—

Bill (No. 56), Respecting the establishment of the Carnegie Library in the City of Ottawa.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 112), To divide the District of Rainy River for the Registration of Titles and Deeds having been read.

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith again referred to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Charlton reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

On motion of Mr. Latchford, seconded by Mr. Dryden,

Resolved, That this House will on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider certain proposed Resolutions respecting the construction of the Temiskaming and Northern Ontario Railway.

On motion of Mr. Dryden, seconded by Mr. Davis,

Resolved, That this House will on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider a certain proposed Resolution respecting the remuneration of inspectors under the San José Scale Act.

On motion of Mr. Ross, seconded by Mr. Gibson,

Resolved, That this House will on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider certain proposed Resolutions respecting fees, allowances and disbursements of Officers and Clerks under the Act respecting the sale of intoxicating liquors in the Province of Ontario.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 100), To amend the Jurors' Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Charlton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment,

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee)

Resolved, That there be granted to His Majesty, for the services of 1902, the following sum :—

94. To defray the expenses of Miscellaneous Expenditure.....\$244,333 20

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Charlton reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution ; also, That the Committee had directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-morrow.

Mr. Stratton presented to the House, by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor:—

Report of the Poultry Association for the year 1901. (*Sessional Papers No. 21.*)

Also—Report of the Live Stock Breeders Associations for the year 1901. (*Sessional Papers No. 23.*)

Also—Report of the Bureau of Labor for the year 1901. (*Sessional Papers No. 29.*)

Also—Report of the Superintendent Neglected and Dependent Children, for the year 1901. (*Sessional Papers No. 43.*)

Also—Return to an Order of the House of the nineteenth day of February instant, for a Return, shewing the number of Visiting Committees appointed under the provisions of the Act respecting Neglected and Dependent Children. (*Sessional Papers No. 70.*)

The House then adjourned at 6 p. m.

Friday, 28th February, 1902.

PRAYERS.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Ross, the Petition of the Township Council of East Williams ; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Gloucester ; also, two Petitions of the Township Council of Caradoc.

By Mr. Garrow, the Petition of Peter W. Currie and others of Goderich.

By Mr. Carpenter, the Petition of Frank Peacock and others of Windham.

By Mr. Bowman, the Petition of the Township Council of Eastnor ; also, the Petition of the Township of Arran.

By Mr. Crawford, the Petition of the Queen Street Epworth League, Toronto.

By Mr. Mutrie, two Petitions of the City Council of Guelph.

By Mr. Wardell, the Petition of the Township Council of East Flamboro.

By Mr. Russell, the Petition of the Pattern Makers Association ; also, the Petition of the Brotherhood of Painters and Decorators ; also, the Petition of International Wood Workers Union of America.

By Mr. Clark, the Petition of the Township Council of Hamilton ; also, the Petition of R. A. Ley and others of Cobourg ; also, the Petition of Cobourg W.C.T.U. ; also, the Petition of A. W. Coone and others of Bewdley ; also, the Petition of Cobourg Council R. T. of T.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Township Council of Dummer ; also, of the Township Council of Tudor and Cashel, severally praying certain amendments to the County Councils Act, respecting the constitution of County Councils.

Of G. A. Gordon and others of Toronto, praying for the grouping of the City of Toronto and the County of York, into one constituency, returning seven or more members to the Legislature, under the Hare System of Proportionate Representation.

Of the Town Council of Peterborough, praying respecting the development and purchase of electrical energy by cities of 100,000.

Of the Reverend G. Horton and others of Bobcaygeon ; also, of J. Mahon and Ballantrae, severally praying for the enactment of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Mr. McKay from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented their Twenty-third Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully examined the following Petitions, and find the notices as published in each case sufficient :—

Of Wm. A. May, John J. Sullivan and Ralsey C. Davis, of Toronto, St. Catharines and Smithville, praying that an Act may pass directing the Royal College of Dental Surgeons of Ontario, to admit them as Students in their final year ;

Of the Algoma Tube Works, Limited, praying that an Act may pass to confirm their Act of Incorporation ;

Of D. Milne and others of Sarnia, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Lambton Central Railway Company.

The Committee recommend that Rule No. 51 of this Honourable House be further suspended in this, that the time for introducing Private Bills be extended until and inclusive of Tuesday, the 4th day of March next.

M. Dryden, from the Standing Committee on Railways, presented their Twelfth Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered the following Bills, and have prepared certain amendments thereto respectively :—

Bill (No. 58), To incorporate The New Ontario Central Railway Company ;

Bill (No. 6), To incorporate The Aylmer, St. Thomas and London Electric Railway Company, and

Bill (No. 50), To incorporate The London Railway Company.

The Committee have also amended the Preambles to the Bills so as to make the same conform with the facts as they were made to appear to the Committee.

The Committee have also changed the Titles of the Bills so that they now read as follows :—

Bill (No. 58), " To incorporate The New Ontario Railway Company ;"

Bill (No. 50), " To incorporate The South Western Traction Company," and

Bill (No. 6), " To incorporate The Middlesex and Elgin Inter-urban Railway Company."

The Committee recommend that Rule No. 51 of this Honourable House be further suspended in this, that the time for introducing Private Bills to this Honourable House be further extended until and inclusive of Tuesday, the 4th day of March next.

Mr. Harcourt from the Standing Committee on Private Bills presented their Thirteenth Report, which was read as follows and adopted.

The Committee have carefully considered,—

Bill (No. 62), " Respecting the Town of Warton," and report the same with amendments.

The Committee have amended the preamble to the Bill to make the same conform to the facts as they were made to appear to the Committee.

Ordered, That the time for introducing Private Bills be further extended until and inclusive of Tuesday the fourth day of March next.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 181), intituled " An Act respecting the Algoma Tube Works."—Mr. Farwell.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 164), intituled " An Act to incorporate The Canada Central Railway Company."—Mr. Conmee.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 60), intituled " An Act enabling and directing the Royal College of Dental Surgeons for Ontario to admit William May, John Joseph Sullivan, and Ralsey Clark Davis, as students in their final year."—Mr. Loughrin.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 190), intituled " An Act to incorporate the Lambton Central Electric Railway Company."—Mr. Pardee.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 192), intituled " An Act to amend the Ontario Factories Act."—Mr. Carscallen.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Tuesday next.

Bill (No. 193), intituled "An Act respecting Prison-made Goods."—Mr. Carscallen.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Tuesday next.

Bill (No. 194), intituled "An Act to amend the Ontario Factories Act."—Mr. Dryden.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 195), intituled "An Act to provide for the removal of Obstructions in Rivers and Streams in certain cases."—Mr. Latchford.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

The following Bill was read the first time :—

Bill (No. 191), intituled "An Act to amend the Act respecting the Improvement of Highways."—Mr. Ross.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the second time and referred to the Municipal Committee.

The following Bills were severally read the third time and passed :—

Bill (No. 4), Respecting the Port Dalhousie, St. Catharines and Thorold Electric Street Railway Company.

Bill (No. 67), Respecting the Town of Perth.

Mr. Duff asked the following Question :—

Has the Dominion Fish Company, or any other company, or individual, applied for the purchase of certain shores along the north coast of Lake Superior. If so, what is the nature of their application, and what grants or concessions have been made.

To which the Commissioner of Crown Lands replied as follows :—

No application has been made by the Dominion Fish Company for the purchase of certain shores on the north coast of Lake Superior.

The Ainsworth and Ganley Fish Company have applied for certain points on the north shore of Lake Superior where they have fishing buildings and wharfs erected, for the purchase of a small portion of land lying at each of these points—Dog River, Boat Harbor, 3 acres; part of Eramosa Island, 12 acres, off the Township of Homer; Ganley Harbor, 6 acres, on the coast of Lake Superior.

The application is made in view of the improvements that said Company has placed on these portions of land.

The Algoma Central Railway Company have also applied for land at Otter Head and Pilot Harbors for terminals of the Algoma Central Railway, and also as necessary for the Algoma Central Steamship Line.

No decisive action has been taken on either of these applications.

Mr. Matheson asked the following Question :—

Has any Railway Subsidy Fund been formed under the provisions of 52 Vic. c. 35, ss. 4 to 9, and if so, what is the amount of such Fund. Has any separate account ever been kept of the sales of land within ten miles on each side of the Ontario and Rainy River Railway, the Parry Sound Colonization Railway, or the Brockville, Westport and Sault Ste. Marie Railway, as provided by the Act.

And the Commissioner of Crown Lands replied as follows :—

A Railway Subsidy Fund has been formed under the provisions of 52 Victoria, chapter 35, section 6, and the amount of such Fund is \$39,539.92.

A separate account has been kept, as provided for, under said Act.

Mr. Kribs moved, seconded by Mr. Dempsey,

That there be laid before this House, a Return of copies of all correspondence between the Orillia Asylum for Idiots, the Belleville Asylum for the Deaf and Dumb and the Department, in relation to the urgent need of increased accommodation in both institutions.

And a Debate having arisen, the Motion was, by leave of the House, withdrawn.

The following Bills were severally read the second time :—

Bill (No. 169), To amend the Toll Roads Expropriation Act.

Referred to the Legal Committee.

Bill (No. 174), To amend the Agriculture and Arts Act.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Colonization.

Bill (No. 183), To amend the Toll Roads Expropriation Act.

Referred to the Legal Committee.

Bill (No. 185), To amend the Ontario Controversial Elections Act.

Referred to the Legal Committee.

Bill (No. 73), Respecting the Pacific and Atlantic Railway Company.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 53), Respecting the Ontario, Hudson's Bay and Western Railway Company.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 178), To amend the Manhood Suffrage Registration Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 179), To amend the Joint Stock Companies Winding-up Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

The House resolved itself into a Committee, severally to consider the following Bills :—

Bill (No. 36), Respecting the County of York.—

Bill (No. 52), Respecting the Village of Alexandria.—

Bill (No. 33), Respecting the Town of Collingwood and the Collingwood Ship Building Company, Limited.—

Bill (No. 65), Respecting the Fort Erie Ferry Railway Company.—

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Charlton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the several Bills without Amendments.

Ordered, That the Bills reported, be severally read the third time on Monday next.

Mr. Stratton presented to the House, by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor :—

Report of the Department of Fisheries, for the year 1901. (*Sessional Papers No. 31.*)

The House then adjourned at 4.25 p. m.

Monday, 3rd March, 1902.

PRAYERS.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Speaker informed the House :—

That the Clerk had received from the Judges appointed to inquire into and report upon Estates Bills, their Report in the following case :—

Bill (No. 70), An Act to confirm an agreement between the Corporation of the County of Bruce, the Executors of William John Moore, deceased, the Children's Aid Society of the County of Bruce, and the County of Bruce General Hospital at Walkerton.

The Report was then read by the Clerk at the Table as follows :—

OSGOODE HALL,

TORONTO, 1st March, 1902.

SIR,—The undersigned, two of the Commissioners of Estates Bills, have the honor to report with reference to Bill (No. 70), being "An Act to confirm an agreement between the Corporation of the County of Bruce, the Executors of William John Moore, deceased, the Children's Aid Society of the County of Bruce, and the County of Bruce General Hospital at Walkerton" as follows :—

By the will of the testator, William John Moore, an annuity of \$500 is payable to his widow out of the interest of a sum to be set apart by his executors, and invested for the purpose ; with power to them to have recourse to the principal should the interest be insufficient.

The Bill submitted for our report proposes to take away half the fund which should be invested for the purpose of paying this annuity, and to substitute for it the promise of the County of Bruce to pay the amount. The widow, Isabella Moore, is not a party to this arrangement, and, in our opinion, it would not be reasonable that the security provided for her, by the will, should be altered without her consent.

For this reason, we are of the opinion that it is not reasonable that the Bill submitted to us, should pass into law.

We have the honour to be, Sir,

Your obedient servants,

W. G. FALCONBRIDGE, O.J.K.B.,

W. P. R. STREET, J.K.B.D.

CHAS. CLARKE, ESQ.,

Clerk Legislative Assembly.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Davis, the Petition of W. D. Walker and others of Schomberg.

By Mr. Carnegie, the Petition of the County Council of Victoria.

By Mr. Hoyle, the Petition of the Township Council of Mara.

Mr. Colquhoun, the Petition of Regina Council No. 67 R. T. of T. Hamilton.

By Mr. Caldwell, the Petition of the Reverend A. H. Macfarlane and others of Frankton ; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Lavant ; also, the Petition of Carleton Place R. T. of T. ; also, the Petition of the Beckwick Jubilee Division, S.O.T. ; also, the Petition of Stanley Division No. 112, S. O. T., Watson's Corners ; also, the Petition of William Drummond and others of Frankton.

By Mr. Russell, the Petition of Gilders Protective Union ; also, the Petition of Boot and Shoe Workers Union No. 233 ; also, the Petition of Brass Workers Union No. 53 ; also, the Petition of Iron Moulders Union ; also, the Petition of Cigarmakers Union No. 27, all of Toronto.

By Mr. Miscampbell, the Petition of the Township Council of Medonte.

By Mr. Foy, the Petition of Samuel S. Martin and others ; also, the Petition of J. W. Thompson and others all of Toronto.

By Mr. Marter, the Petition of J. G. Slidders and others ; also, the Petition of Thomas Parker and others ; also, the Petition of W. N. McCormack and others ; also, the Petition of W. Burns and others ; also, the Petition of A. R. Williams and others ; also, the Petition of J. Wilson and others ; also, the Petition of Joseph Shepard and others ; also, the Petition of Northern Y. W. C. T. U. ; also, the Petition of North Toronto Council No. 104, R. T. of T., all of Toronto.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Township Council of Houghton ; also, of the Township Council of Pakenham ; also, of the Township Council of Culross, severally praying certain amendments to the County Councils Act, respecting the constitution of County Councils.

Of the City Council of Stratford, praying certain amendments to the Election Act, respecting the cost of Rolling and Registration places.

Of the International Brotherhood of Blacksmiths, No. 171, ; also, of District Assembly No. 180, K. of L. ; also, of Union No. 27 U. B. C. J. ; also, of Maple Leaf Assembly No 1960 K. of L. ; also, of Allied Printing Trades Council, severally praying for the grouping of the City of Toronto and the County of York, into one constituency returning seven or more members to the Legislature under the Hare System of Proportionate Representation.

Of James Miller and others of Oil Springs, praying for the enactment of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

The following Bill was introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 180), intituled “ An Act to authorize the Trustees of the ‘ Holy Blossom ’ to convey certain lands to William M. Weekes.”—Mr. Foy.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

The following Bills were severally read the the third time and passed :—

Bill (No. 31), To amend the Act incorporating the Woodstock, Thames Valley and Ingersoll Electric Railway Company.

Bill (No. 12), Respecting the Town of Peterborough.

Bill (No. 19), To incorporate the Ontario Electric Railway Company.

Bill (No. 51), To incorporate the Peterborough Radial Railway Company.

Bill (No. 39), To legalize certain By-laws in aid of the Lake Erie and Detroit River Railway Company.

Bill (No. 33), Respecting the Town of Collingwood and the Collingwood Ship Building Company, Limited.

Bill (No. 65), Respecting the Fort Erie Ferry Railway Company.

On motion of Mr. Ross seconded by Mr. Whitney,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to H.R.H. Prince Henry of Prussia, upon his arrival at Niagara Falls, Ontario, and that a deputation of Members of this House be appointed to wait upon H.R.H., to present the same, to be composed as follows:—Messieurs Harcourt, Breithaupt, Gross, Bowman, Eilber, Kribs and Carscallen, and that the said Address be in the words following:—

TO HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS, PRINCE HENRY OF PRUSSIA:—

May it please your Royal Highness:

We, the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario, in Parliament assembled, beg leave to approach Your Royal Highness for the purpose of presenting to you the congratulations of the Legislative Assembly on the occasion of your visit to this Province.

We hail with joy the presence on our soil of so distinguished a descendant of our late beloved Queen, and we assure Your Royal Highness that in no part of the British Empire are the cordial relations, which exist between the various branches of the Teutonic races, regarded with more satisfaction than they are in Canada.

We have in this Province many thousands of citizens who regard, with praiseworthy affection, the German Empire as their fatherland, and we have pleasure in assuring Your Royal Highness that they exemplify, in this comparatively new country, those virtues of frugality, industry and respect for law and order which are characteristic of the race to which they belong.

As Canadians, irrespective of nationality, Your Royal Highness will be pleased to know that we rejoice in the achievements of German leadership in science and research, that we appreciate those elements of national character to which the German Empire owes in a large measure its material prosperity, and we are glad to believe that the influence of the Empire in the Councils of the nations tends to the advancement of the highest civilization and the liberty of the human race.

We regret that Your Royal Highness' official arrangements will not allow you to make an extended tour of this country. We trust, however, that another occasion may be found for becoming acquainted with the natural resources and political institutions of a country to which we will be glad to welcome your fellow-subjects, who, for any reason, might wish to make Canada their future home.

Respectfully submitted, on behalf of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario.

The Address, having been read the second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Address be engrossed, the signature of Mr. Speaker attached thereto, and that the same be presented to H. R. H., Prince Henry of Prussia, by such members of this House as are named in the Resolution above.

The House resolved itself into a Committee, severally to consider the following Bills:—

Bill (No. 30), Respecting the Debenture Debt of the Town of Orillia.

Bill (No. 63), To incorporate the Lake Superior, Long Lake, and Albany River Railway Company.

Bill (No. 69), To incorporate the Canada Western Railway Company.

Bill (No. 27), To enable the trustees of the Jane Laycock Orphanage to sell certain lands in the County of Brant.

Bill (No. 28), Respecting a certain By-Law of the Town of Sarnia.

Bill (No. 73), Respecting the Pacific and Atlantic Railway Company.

Bill (No. 53), Respecting the Ontario, Hudson's Bay and Western Railway Company.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. McKay reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the several Bills without amendments.

Ordered, That the Bills reported, be severally read the third time To-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the second time:—

Bill (No. 58), To incorporate the New Ontario Railway Company.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 6), To incorporate the Middlesex and Elgin Inter-urban Railway Company.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 50), To incorporate the Southwestern Traction Company.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 62), Respecting the Town of Wiarton.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Mr. Duff asked the following Question :—

Has the attention of the Government been called to the fact that emigrants from Great Britain, at the rate of 4,000 monthly, have been arranged for. Is it the intention of the Government to take any steps to obtain any number of these, for Ontario. If so, what.

To which the Commissioner of Crown Lands replied in the words following :—

The Government is aware that a large number of immigrants are expected from Great Britain during 1902, and arrangements have been made, through our agent at Liverpool, and with the Department of the Interior, at Ottawa, to obtain a proportion of them for Ontario.

Mr. Whitney asked the following Question :—

Has the Government entered into any agreement, or agreements, since last Session, with any person or persons, and if so, with whom, covering concessions of pulpwood territory. And does the Government intend to submit any such agreement, or agreements, for the ratification of the House, during the present Session.

And the Commissioner of Crown Lands replied, that

Since the last Session of the House three pulpwood agreements, which were ratified by the House, have been amended, and notice of these amended agreements is now on the Order Paper.

A new pulpwood agreement has been under negotiation for some time, and if completed in time, will be submitted to the House for ratification during the present Session.

Mr. Monteith asked the following Question :—

Has the Government purchased a site for the McDonald School of Domestic Science, to be located at Guelph. If so, what number of acres, at what cost *per* acre, and from whom purchased.

To which the Minister of Agriculture replied as follows :—

The Government has secured an option from W. T. Whittaker, of Guelph, on a parcel of land containing about eleven acres, and lying immediately north of the College property, as the site and grounds of the Sir William Macdonald Building. On this land are five small dwellings. The cost of the land, including the removal of these cottages, will be \$7,500.00.

Mr. Stratton presented to the House, by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor :—

Agreement between His Majesty, represented by the Commissioner of Crown Lands, of the one part, and The Nepigon Pulp, Paper and Manufacturing Company, Limited, of the other part. (*Sessional Papers No. 64*)

Also—Agreement between His Majesty, represented by the Commissioner of Crown Lands, of the one part, and The Sturgeon Falls Pulp Company, Limited, of the other part. (*Sessional Papers No. 67.*)

Also—Agreement between His Majesty represented by the Commissioner of Crown Lands, of the one part, and the Blanche River Pulp and Paper Company Limited of the other part. (*Sessional Papers No. 68.*)

The House then adjourned at 4.20 p. m.

Tuesday, 4th March, 1902.

PRAYERS.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Beatty (Leeds), the Petition of the Lansdowne Methodist Church.

By Mr. Eilber, the Petition of the Varna Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of William L. Keys and others of Varna.

By Mr. Brown, the Petition of the Township Council of Ellice.

By Mr. Dempsey, the Petition of T. S. Farncomb and others of Ameliasburg.

By Mr. Joynt, the Petition of the Spencerville W.O.T.U.

By Mr. Boyd, the Petition of A. Thompson and others of Shallow Lake.

By Mr. Crawford, the Petition of N. M. Wilshire and others of Toronto.

By Mr. Farwell, the Petition of Tehkummah Council ; also, the Petition of J. W. Tilson and others of Tehkummah.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Township Council of Caradoc ; also, of the Township Council of Gloucester ; also, of the Township Council of East Williams ; also, of the Township Council of Arran ; also, of the Township Council of Eastnor ; also, of the Township Council of Hamilton ; also, of the Township Council of East Flamboro', severally praying certain amendments to the County Councils Act, respecting the constitution of County Councils.

Of the City Council of Guelph, praying certain amendments to the Election Act, respecting the cost of Polling and Registration places.

Of the City Council of Guelph, praying certain amendments to the Municipal Act, respecting Hawkers and Peddlers Licenses.

Of the Township Council of Caradoc, praying that no change may be made in the Municipal Act, respecting control by County Councils, over Township roads.

Of International Wood Workers Union of America No. 121 ; also, of Brotherhood of Painters and Decorators ; also, of Pattern Makers Association, all of Toronto, severally praying for the grouping of the City of Toronto and the County of York into one Constituency, returning seven or more members to the Legislature, under the Hare system of Proportionate Representation.

Of Frank Peacock and others of Windham ; also, of Queen Street Methodist Church E. L. ; also, of Peter W. Currie and others of Goderich ; also, of R. A. Ley and others of Cobourg ; also, of Cobourg W.O.T.U. ; also, of A. W. Coone and others of Bewdley ; also, of Cobourg Council R. T. of T., severally praying for the enactment of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Mr. McKay, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented their Twenty-fourth Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully examined the Petition of the Village Council of Point Edward, and the Sarnia Gas and Electric Light Company, Limited, praying that an Act may pass to ratify By-law No. 185 of the Village of Point Edward, and find the notices as published sufficient.

Mr. Harcourt, from the Standing Committee on Private Bills, presented their Fourteenth Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered Bill (No. 75), "Respecting the Algoma Steel Company, Limited," and report the same without amendments.

The Committee have also carefully considered Bill (No. 57), "To incorporate the Northern Electric Company," and report the same with amendments.

The Committee have amended the Title of the Bill, and have also amended the preamble thereof, to make the same conform to the facts as they were made to appear to the Committee.

The Committee have also carefully considered Bill (No. 68), "Confirming a certain By-law and Agreement of the Municipal Corporation of the Township of Cornwall," and

Bill (No. 71), Confirming a certain By-law of the Township of Cornwall, and have deemed it convenient that the Bills should be consolidated into one Bill under the title :— "An Act to confirm certain By-laws of the Township of Cornwall," and report the same with amendments.

The Committee have caused the preambles of the Bills to be consolidated.

The Committee recommend that the fees on the Bill (No. 68), less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on the ground that the Bills might conveniently have been included in one application.

The Committee also recommend that Rule, No. 51 of this Honourable House be further suspended in this, that the time for receiving reports of Committees on Private Bills be further extended until Tuesday, the 11th day of March, instant.

Mr. Dryden, from the Standing Committee on Railways, presented their Thirteenth Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered Bill (No. 42), Respecting the St. Thomas Street Railway Company, and find the Preamble thereof not proven, on the ground that legislation in the premises is not necessary or expedient.

The Committee recommend that the fees on the said Bill (No. 42), be remitted, less the actual cost of printing.

The Committee recommend that Rule No. 51, of this Honourable House be further suspended in this, that the time for receiving Reports of Committees relative to Private Bills be further extended until and inclusive of Tuesday the 11th day of March instant.

Ordered, That the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on Bill (No. 42), St. Thomas Street Railway Company.

Ordered, That the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on Bill (No. 68), Township of Cornwall.

Ordered, That the time for receiving Reports of Committees on Private Bills be further extended until and inclusive of Tuesday the eleventh day of March instant.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 196), intituled “ An Act to legalize By-law No. 185 of the Village of Point Edward.”—Mr. Pardee.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 197), intituled “ An Act to amend The Ontario Game Protection Act.”—Mr. Allen.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Thursday next.

Bill (No. 198), intituled “ An Act respecting Electric Railways.”—Mr. Ross.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 199), intituled “ An Act to amend the Railway Act.”—Mr. Joynt.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Thursday next,

Bill (No. 200), intituled “ An Act to amend the Electric Railway Act.”—Mr. Joynt.

Ordered That the Bill be read the second time on Thursday next.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 86), To amend the Agriculture and Arts Act having been read.

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith again referred to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Pettypiece reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time and passed.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 22), To amend the Act incorporating the Ontario Ship Railway Company, and the Act 60 Victoria, chaptered 94, having been read.

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith again referred to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Pettypiece reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 100), To amend the Jurors Act having been read.

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith again referred to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Pettypiece reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 11), To incorporate the Huronian Company, Limited, having been read.

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith again referred to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Pettypiece reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time and passed.

The following Bills were severally read the third time and passed :—

Bill (No. 61), Respecting the Nepigon Railway Company.

Bill (No. 36), Respecting the County of York.

Bill (No. 63), To incorporate the Lake Superior, Long Lake and Albany River Railway Company.

Bill (No. 69), To incorporate the Canada Western Railway Company.

Bill (No. 27). To enable the trustees of the Jane Laycock Orphanage to sell certain lands in the County of Brant.

Bill (No. 28), Respecting a certain By-law of the Town of Sarnia.

On motion of Mr. Harcourt, seconded by Mr. Dryden,

Resolved, That this House doth ratify the following Order-in-Council approved by His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, the 22nd day of February, 1902.

Upon the recommendation of the Honourable the Minister of Education, the Committee of Council advise that By-law number eight of the Board of Trustees of the University of Toronto, setting apart and appropriating out of the Endowment, one hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars (\$125,000) for the erection of a building to be used for the purposes of the Medical Faculty and Department of Physiology of the said University, on the terms and conditions in the said by-law mentioned, be approved of by Your Honour.

Certified,

J. LONSDALE CAPRÉOL,

Asst. Clerk, Executive Council.

On motion of Mr. Ross, seconded by Mr. Gibson.

Resolved, That this House will on To-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider certain Resolutions, with amended Schedule, respecting the fees, allowances and disbursements of Officers' and Clerks under the Act relating to the sale of Intoxicating Liquors in the Province of Ontario.

The Order of the Day for the House to resolve itself into a Committee to consider a certain proposed Resolution respecting the remuneration, fees or charges of inspectors under the San José Scale Act having been read, Mr. Ross acquainted the House that His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the proposed Resolution, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

The House then resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That the council of the township or incorporated village shall pay one-half of the remuneration, fees or charges of inspectors under the San José Scale Act, and the other half shall be paid out of such funds as may be devoted by the Legislature for that purpose.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Carpenter reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Carpenter reported the Resolution as follows :

Resolved, That the council of the township or incorporated village shall pay one-half of the remuneration, fees or charges of inspectors under the San José Scale Act and the other half shall be paid out of such funds as may be devoted by the Legislature for that purpose.

The Resolution having been read the second time, was agreed to, and referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bill (No. 144), To amend the San José Scale Act.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 144), To amend the San José Scale Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Carpenter reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 179), To amend the Joint Stock Companies Winding-up Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Carpenter reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the second time :—

Bill (No. 184), Respecting the University of Toronto and University College.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 194), To amend the Ontario Factories Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 195), To provide for the removal of obstructions in Rivers and Streams in certain cases.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill No. 166), To amend the Statute Law.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 186), To amend the Act respecting the Representation of the People in the Legislative Assembly.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Mr. Stratton presented to the House, by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor :—

Report of the Bureau of Mines for the year 1901. (*Sessional Papers No. 5.*)

Also—Report of the Inspectors of Factories, for the year 1901. (*Sessional Papers No. 8.*)

Also—Report of the Agricultural and Experimental Union, for the year 1901. (*Sessional Papers No. 15.*)

Also—Report of the Fruit Growers' Association for the year 1901. (*Sessional Papers No. 16.*)

Also—Report of the Entomological Society, for the year 1901. (*Sessional Papers No. 19.*)

Also—Report of the Dairymen's Associations for the year 1901. (*Sessional Papers No. 22.*)

Also—Report of the Registrar of Live Stock for the year 1901. (*Sessional Papers No. 24.*)

Also—Report of the Bureau of Industries for the year 1901. (*Sessional Papers No. 28.*)

Also—Report of the Director of Colonization for the year 1901. (*Sessional Papers No. 32.*)

Also—Report of the Board of Health, for the year 1901. (*Sessional Papers No. 36.*)

Also—Report on Sugar Beet Experiments in Ontario. (*Sessional Papers No. 63.*)

Also—Statement of distribution of Revised and Sessional Statutes up to 31st December, 1901. (*Sessional Papers No. 72.*)

The House then adjourned at 5.45 p.m.

Wednesday, 5th March, 1902.

PRAYERS.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petition was brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Robson, the Petition of the Township Council of North Dorchester.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the County Council of Victoria, praying certain amendments to the Law, respecting the commitment of boys, of tender years, to Reformatories.

Of the Township Council of Mara ; also, of the Township Council of Medonte ; also, of the Township Council of Lavant, severally praying certain amendments to the County Councils Act, respecting the constitution of County Councils.

Of the Iron Moulders Union ; also, of J. G. Slidders and others ; also, of W. Burns and others ; also, of Thomas Parker and others ; also, of Boot and Shoe Workers Union No. 233 ; also, of Cigarmakers Union No. 27 ; also, of W. G. McCormack and others ; also, of Brass Workers Union No. 53 ; also, of Gilders Protective Union, all of Toronto, severally praying for the grouping of the City of Toronto and the County of York into one constituency, returning seven or more members to the Legislature under the Hare system of Proportionate Representation.

Of W. D. Walker and others of Schomberg ; also, of Regina Council No. 67 R. T. of T., Hamilton ; also, of the Reverend A. H. Macfarlane and others ; also, of William Drummond and others, all of Frankton ; also, of Carleton Place R. T. of T. ; also, of Beckwith Jubilee Division S. O. T. ; also of Stanley Division No. 112, S. O. T., Watson's Corners ; also, of Samuel S. Martin and others ; also, of J. W. Thompson and others ; also, of A. R. Williams and others ; also, of I. Wilson and others ; also, of Joseph Shepard and others ; also, of Northern Y. W. O. T. U. ; also, of North Toronto Council No. 104, R. T. of T., all of Toronto, severally praying for the enactment of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Mr. Dryden, from the Standing Committee on Railways, presented their Fourteenth Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered Bill No. 64, To incorporate the Huron, Bruce and Middlesex Electric Railway Company, recommitted to the Committee of this Honourable House for further consideration and report, and have prepared certain amendments to the Bill, and have also amended the Preamble thereto so as to make the same conform with the facts as they were made to appear to the Committee, and have also amended the Title to the Bill so that it now reads, "An Act to incorporate the Huron, Bruce and Grey Electric Railway Company."

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 201), intituled " An Act to amend the Ontario Game Protection Act."—

Mr. Latchford.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 202), intituled " An Act to amend the Act respecting the Barberry Shrub."

—Mr. Dryden.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 203 , intituled " The Municipal Fire Insurance Act."—Mr. Colquhoun.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 204), intituled " An Act to amend the Ontario Election Act."—Mr. Gibson.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the third time and passed :—

Bill (No. 129 , To amend the Land Titles Act.

Bill (No. 30), Respecting the Debenture Debt of the Town of Orillia.

The Order of the Day for the Second Reading of Bill (No. 159), Respecting the sale of Intoxicating Liquor in the Province of Ontario, having been read,

Mr. Ross moved,

That the Bill be now read the second time.

And a Debate having ensued, it was

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

Mr. Stratton presented to the House, by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor :—

Agreement between His Majesty, represented by the Commissioner of Crown Lands for the Province of Ontario, of the one part, and the Montreal River Pulp and Paper Company, of the other part. (*Sessional Papers, No 71.*)

Also—Detailed Report of the Inspector of Insurance and Registrar of Friendly Societies for the year 1902. (*Sessional Papers, No. 10.*)

Also—Loan Corporation statements, being financial statements made by Building Societies, Loan Companies, Loaning Land Companies and Trust Companies for the year 1901. (*Sessional Papers, No 11.*)

Also—Report of the Bee-Keepers Association for the year 1901. (*Sessional Papers, No. 20.*)

Also—Report upon the Hospitals and Refuges, etc., for the year ending 30th September, 1901. (*Sessional Papers No. 40.*)

Also—Return to an Order of the House, of the twenty-fourth day of January last, for a Return, shewing what number of Cold Storage Associations have been incorporated, where they are, and what amount was paid by the Province to each of the Associations formed under the Act of 1900, to provide for the incorporation of Co-operative Cold Storage Associations. (*Sessional Papers No. 73.*)

The House then adjourned at 10.40 p.m.

Thursday, 6th March, 1902.

PRAYERS.

3 O'CLOCK P.M

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Ross, the Petition of the Mount Brydges Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of James N. Haight and others of Falconbridge.

By Mr. Dryden, the Petition of the Township Council of East Whithy.

By Mr. Latchford, the Petition of the Township Council of Bagot and Blythfield ; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Palmerston and North and South Canonto ; also, the Petition of A. S. Murphy and others of Harvey.

By Mr. Marter, the Petition of A. F. Jury and others ; also, the Petition of John A. Nicholls and others, all of Toronto.

By Mr. Pyne, the Petition of J. H. Ablett and others ; also, the Petition of Gordon Waldron and others ; also, the Petition of Thomas Hurd and others, all of Toronto.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Township Council of Ellice, praying certain amendments to the County Councils Act, respecting the constitution of County Councils.

Of T. S. Farncomb and others of Ameliasburg, praying certain amendments to the Game Law, respecting the sale of Duck.

Of J. W. Tilson and others of Tehkummah ; also of Lansdowne Methodist Church ; also, of Varna Methodist Church ; also, of William L. Kay and others ; also, of Spencer-ville W. C. T. U. : also, of Archibald Thompson and others of Shallow Lake ; also, of the Township Council of Tehkummah, severally praying for the enactment of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Of N. M. Wilshire and others of Toronto, praying for the grouping of the City of Toronto and the County of York into one constituency. returning seven or more members to the Legislature under the Hare system of Proportionate Representation.

Mr. Dryden from the Standing Committee on Railways presented their Fifteenth Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered the following Bills and have prepared certain amendments thereto respectively :—Bill (No. 74), To incorporate the Huron and Bruce Railway Company, and Bill (No. 164), To incorporate the Canada Central Railway Company.

The Committee have also amended the Preamble to Bill (No. 74), so as to make the same conform with the facts as they were made to appear to the Committee.

The Committee recommend that the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on Bill (No. 10), To incorporate the Hamilton Suburban Railway, also on Bill (No. 2), To incorporate the Toronto and Hamilton Railway Company both of which Bills, having been withdrawn by the promoters thereof.

Mr. Harcourt from the Standing Committee on Private Bills presented their Fifteenth Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered the following Bills :—

Bill (No. 72), "To change the name of the Town of Tilsonburg to the Town of Tillsonburg."

Bill (No. 181), "Respecting the Algoma Tube Works, Limited."

Bill (No. 70), "To confirm the agreement between the Corporation of the County of Bruce, the Executors of William John Moore, deceased, the Children's Aid Society of the County of Bruce, and the County of Bruce General Hospital at Walkerton."

Bill (No. 59), "Respecting the Township of Etobicoke."
and report the same with amendments respectively.

The Committee has amended the preambles of the Bills to make the same respectively conform to the facts as they were made to appear to the Committee.

The Committee has amended the Title of Bill (No. 70), to make the same read :
"An Act respecting the Estate of William John Moore, Deceased."

The Committee recommend that the fees, less the actual cost of printing, on Bill (No. 70) be remitted, on the ground that the same relates to the affairs of benevolent institutions.

Bill (No. 60), "Enabling and directing the Royal College of Dental Surgeons for Ontario to admit William May, John Joseph Sullivan and Ralsey Clark Davis, as Students in their final year," having been withdrawn, the Committee recommend that the fees on the same, less the actual cost of printing be remitted.

Mr. Davis, from the Standing Committee on Municipal Law, presented their First Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered :—

Bill (No. 116), "To amend the Public Health Act," and report the same with certain amendments.

Bill (No. 125), "To amend the Public Schools Act," and report the same with certain amendments.

The Committee have carefully considered :—

Bill (No. 126), "To amend the Voters' List Act," and report the same without amendment.

Ordered, That the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on the following Bills:—Bill (No. 10), Hamilton Suburban Railway ; Bill (No. 2), Toronto and Hamilton Railway ; Bill (No. 70), Estate of W. J. Moore and on Bill (No. 60), May, Sullivan and Davis.

The following Bill was introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 205), intituled "An Act to amend the Industrial Schools Act."—Mr. Carnegie.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

The following Bills were severally read the third time and passed :—

Bill (No. 93), To amend the Marriage Act.

Bill (No. 141), To amend the Separate Schools Act.

Bill (No. 73), Respecting the Pacific and Atlantic Railway Company.

Bill (No. 53), Respecting the Ontario, Hudson's Bay and Western Railway Company.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 106), To further amend the Devolution of Estates Act, having been read.

Mr. Gibson moved, That the Bill be now read the third time.

Mr. Joynt moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Tucker,

That all the words of the Motion, after the word "That" be omitted, and the following substituted : "the Bill be not now read the third time, but be forthwith committed to a Committee of the Whole House with instructions to amend the same by striking out the third section thereof.

And the Amendment, having been put, was declared lost on a division.

The Motion for the third reading, having been then again put, was carried, and the Bill was read the third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Ross, seconded by Mr. Gibson,

Resolved, That this House will on To-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider a proposed Resolution respecting the income of Sheriffs.

On motion of Mr. Ross, seconded by Mr. Gibson,

Resolved, That this House will on To-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider a certain proposed Resolution respecting the payment of \$1,000 to every Judge of the Supreme Court of Judicature for Ontario.

On motion of Mr. Latchford, seconded by Mr. Garrow,

Resolved, That this House will on To-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider certain proposed Resolutions respecting Aid to certain Railways.

On motion of Mr. Lucas, seconded by Mr. Pyne,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of copies of all correspondence, between the Department of the Attorney-General, or any official of the Government and the Crown Attorney of the County of Waterloo, or any other person, in respect to the prosecution of Wildfong and Cummings, reported for corrupt practices. Also, a copy of the information laid against Cummings, together with a copy of any Report received as to the result of the prosecution.

The Order of the Day for resuming the Adjourned Debate on the Motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 159), Respecting the Sale of Intoxicating Liquor in the Province of Ontario, having been read,

The Debate was resumed.

And after some time,

The Motion for the second reading having been again put, was carried on the following division :—

YEAS.

Messieurs :

Auld	Conmee	Hislop	McKee
Aylsworth	Davis	Holmes	Pardee
Barber	Dickenson	Latchford	Pattullo
Blezard	Douglas	Lee	Pense
Bowman	Dryden	Leys	Pettypiece
Breithaupt	Farwell	Loughrin	Preston
Brown	Gibson	Lumsden	Richardson
Burt	Graham	Malcolm	Ross
Caldwell	Gross	Marter	Russell
Carpenter	Guibord	Munro	Smith
Charlton	Harcourt	Mutrie	Stratton
Clarke	Hill	McKay	Taylor—48

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Messieurs :

Barr	Eilber	Kribs	Powell
Beatty (Leeds)	Fallis	Little	Pyne
Boyd	Foy	Lucas	Reid (Durham.)
Brower	Fox	Matheson	Robson
Carnegie	Gallagher	Miscampbell	Thompson
Colquhoun	Hoyle	Monteith	Tucker
Crawford	Jamieson	Morrison	Wardell
Dempsey	Joynt	Macdiarmid	Whitney.—35
Duff	Kidd	McLaughlin	

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Garrow	Caracallen.
Beatty (Parry Sound)	McDonald.
Truax	Reid (Addington)
Bridgland	Jessop.
Pardo	....	....	....	....	Allen.

The Bill was then read the second time, and referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Mr. Ross delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from the Lieutenant-Governor, signed by himself; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, and is as follows:—

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The Lieutenant-Governor transmits Supplementary Estimates of certain further sums required to complete the services of the Province, for the years 1901 and 1902, and recommends them to the Legislative Assembly.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

Toronto, 6th March. 1902.

Sessional Papers No. 2.)

Ordered, That the Message of the Lieutenant-Governor, together with the Estimate accompanying the same, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. Stratton presented to the House, by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor:—

Report of the Commissioner of Highways for the year 1901. (*Sessional Papers No. 27.)*

The House then adjourned at 11.40 p.m.

Friday, 7th March, 1902.

PRAYERS.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Kribs, the Petition of the Village Council of New Hamburg.

By Mr. McLaughlin, the Petition of Gravel Hill W. C. T. U.

The following Petition was read and received :—

Of the Township Council of North Dorchester, praying certain amendments to the County Councils Act, respecting the constitution of County Councils.

Mr. Harcourt, from the Standing Committee on Private Bills, presented their Sixteenth Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee having carefully considered the following Bills :—

Bill (No. 196), "To confirm By-law No. 185 of the Village of Point Edward."

Bill (No. 180), "To authorize the Trustees of 'The Holy Blossom' to convey certain lands to William M. Weeks."

Bill (No. 9), "To authorize The Royal Trust Company to do business in the Province of Ontario."

Bill (No. 66), "Respecting the Town of Rat Portage," and report the same with amendments respectively.

The Committee have amended the preambles of the Bills so as to make the same conform to the facts as they were made to appear to the Committee.

The Committee have amended the Title of the said Bill (No. 180), so as to make the same read :—

"An Act to authorize the Trustees of 'The Holy Blossom' to convey certain lands."

The Committee recommend that the fees on Bill (No. 180), less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on the ground that the same relates to the affairs of a Religious Institution.

Ordered, That the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on Bill (No. 180), Holy Blossom.

Mr. Gibson from the Standing Committee on Legal Bills presented their First Report, which was read as follows and adopted.

The Committee have carefully considered the following Bills and report the same without amendments :—

No. 142), Respecting The Street Railway Act, and

Bill (No. 119), To amend the Act respecting Councils of Conciliation and of Arbitration for settling Industrial Disputes.

On motion of Mr. Gibson, seconded by Mr. Kribs,

Resolved, That with a view to the immediate submission of the Petition of the Council of the Corporation of the Village of New Hamburg to the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, the same be now read and received, and the Rules of the House suspended accordingly.

The following Petition was then read and received :—

Of the Village Council of New Hamburg, praying that an Act may pass to authorize the passing of a By-law by the Corporation in aid of the Foundry of the New Hamburg Manufacturing Company.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 206), intituled "An Act respecting a certain Drainage Debt of the Township of Sarnia."—Mr. Ross.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 207), intituled "An Act to amend the High Schools Act."—Mr. Harcourt.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 208), intituled "An Act to protect the owners of Stallions."—Mr. Dryden.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

The Order of the Day for the House to resolve itself into a Committee to consider certain proposed Resolutions respecting the construction of the Temiskaming and Northern Ontario Railway having been read, Mr. Ross acquainted the House that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the proposed Resolutions, recommends them to the consideration of the House.

The House then resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That each Commissioner, under the Act for the construction of the Temiskaming and Northern Ontario Railway, shall receive his actual disbursements in discharging his duties and an honorarium of \$1,000 *per annum* until otherwise provided by the Legislature.

Resolved, That to meet the cost of the construction, equipment and maintenance of the railway, the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may from time to time, out of the

ungranted lands of Ontario, set apart a tier of townships on each side of and adjoining as far as practicable, the railway, and other lands in the lands district of Nipissing, to an extent not exceeding in the aggregate 20,000 acres for each mile of the line of the railway.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Graham reported, That the Committee had come to certain Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Graham reported the Resolutions as follows :—

Resolved, That each Commissioner, under the Act for the construction of the Temiskaming and Northern Ontario Railway, shall receive his actual disbursements in discharging his duties and an honorarium of \$1,000 *per annum* until otherwise provided by the Legislature.

Resolved, That to meet the cost of the construction, equipment and maintenance of the railway, the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may from time to time, out of the ungranted lands of Ontario, set apart a tier of townships on each side of and adjoining, as far as practicable, the railway, and other lands in the lands district of Nipissing, to an extent not exceeding in the aggregate 20,000 acres for each mile of the line of the railway.

The Resolutions, having been read the second time, were agreed to, and referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bill (No. 98), To authorize the construction of the Temiskaming and Northern Ontario Railway.

The Order of the Day for the House to resolve itself into a Committee to consider certain proposed Resolutions respecting the fees, allowances and disbursements by Officers and Clerks under the Act respecting the sale of Intoxicating Liquors in the Province of Ontario, having been read,

Mr. Ross acquainted the House that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the proposed Resolutions recommends them to the consideration of the House.

The House then resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That the fees in Schedule B to the Act respecting the sale of Intoxicating Liquors in the Province of Ontario, in respect of the several matters therein contained, shall be allowed to the several officers therein mentioned respectively, for the services and disbursements in the said Schedule specified.

That the said fees, allowances and disbursements, together with the reasonable expenses incurred by the Returning Officer, and by the other officers and clerks, for printing, providing polling compartments, transmission of the packets required by the Act to be transmitted, and reasonable fees and allowances for other services rendered

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under the Act, shall be paid over to the Returning Officer, by warrant of the Lieutenant-Governor, directed by the Treasurer of the Province, out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of the Province, and shall be distributed by the Returning Officer to the several officers and persons entitled to the same under the provisions of the Act, which distribution he shall report to the Lieutenant-Governor through the Provincial Secretary.

The Lieutenant-Governor may direct the payment to the Returning Officers of the Electoral Districts of Algoma East, Muskoka, Nipissing and Parry Sound, out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, of such sums (over and above the allowance authorized by the preceding sections of the Act), as may be required to pay the expenses reasonably incurred by the Returning Officers, and by the other officers and clerks, in conducting the election, and reasonable fees and allowances for any extraordinary services rendered by them thereat.

SCHEDULE B.—FEES OF RETURNING OFFICERS, ETC., REFERRED TO ABOVE.

(Amended Schedule.)

FEES OF RETURNING OFFICERS.

1. Appointing deputies and swearing them (each) *fifty cents*
2. Furnishing copies of Voters' Lists when necessary, as allowed by the Ontario Voters' Lists Act, (R.S.O. 1897, cap. 7, sec. 50, ss. 2.)
3. Mileage to deliver same to deputies when necessary; also delivering ballot boxes ballots, etc., only one mileage for all, for each mile necessarily travelled from place to place, to be taxed as Sheriff's mileage on summoning jurors..... *ten cents per mile.*
4. Making up and transmitting returns to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, and all necessary services connected therewith *ten dollars*
5. Postage, actual amount paid out.
6. Returning Officers in Cities and Towns, holding, polling and making returns..
..... *twenty dollars.*
7. For special services not otherwise provided, such amount as the Lieutenant-Governor may think reasonable under the circumstances of the case.

DEPUTY RETURNING OFFICERS.

8. Taking the polls, including all the services connected therewith, and making returns *four dollars.*
9. Pay of poll clerk one day *two dollars.*
10. And one constable one day *one dollar.*
11. For each polling booth, actual cost, not exceeding four dollars to be paid by the City, Town, Village or Township Treasurer (as the case may be) on the order of the Deputy Returning Officer unless the municipal council provides suitable polling places at their own expense,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Graham reported, That the Committee had come to certain Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Graham reported the Resolutions as follows :—

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The Resolutions having been read the second time, were agreed to, and referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bill (No. 159), Respecting the sale of Intoxicating Liquors in the Province of Ontario.

The Order of the Day for the House to resolve itself into a Committee to consider a certain proposed Resolution respecting the income of Sheriffs having been read,

Mr. Ross acquainted the House that his Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the proposed Resolution recommends it to the consideration of the House.

The House then resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That in lieu of the provisions made by section 62 of "The Act respecting the Office of Sheriff," where it appears by the Returns to the Lieutenant-Governor, or to any department of the Government, that any sheriff not paid wholly or in part by salary, derives from the fees and emoluments of his office, after deducting necessary disbursements, an income which does not exceed the sum of \$1,000, there may on the report of the Inspector of Legal Offices be paid to any such sheriff an amount sufficient to make up an income of \$1,000 in any case where the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council so directs.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Charlton reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution,

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Charlton reported the Resolution as follows:—

Resolved, That in lieu of the provisions made by section 62 of "The Act respecting the Office of Sheriff," where it appears by the Returns to the Lieutenant-Governor, or to any department of the Government, that any sheriff not paid wholly or in part by salary,

derives from the fees and emoluments of his office, after deducting necessary disbursements, an income which does not exceed the sum of \$1,000, there may on the report of the Inspector of Legal Offices be paid to any such sheriff an amount sufficient to make up an income of \$1,000 in any case where the Lieutenant-Governor in Council so directs.

The Resolution having been read the second time, was agreed to, and referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bill (No. 166), To amend the Statute Law.

The Order of the Day for the House to resolve itself into a Committee to consider a certain proposed Resolution respecting the payment of \$1,000 to every Judge of the Supreme Court of Judicature for Ontario having been read,

Mr. Ross acquainted the House that His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the proposed Resolution recommends it to the consideration of the House.

The House then resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That in lieu of the provision made by section 1 of 'The Act respecting the Judges of the Supreme Court of Judicature for Ontario,' every Judge of the said Court shall be paid out of the Consolidated Revenue of the Province the annual sum of one thousand dollars.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Charlton reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Charlton reported the Resolution as follows:—

Resolved, That in lieu of the provision made by section 1 of "The Act respecting the Judges of the Supreme Court of Judicature for Ontario," every Judge of the said Court shall be paid out of the Consolidated Revenue of the Province the annual sum of one thousand dollars.

The Resolution having been read the second time, was agreed to, and referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bill (No. 166), To amend the Statute Law.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 178), To amend the Manhood Suffrage Registration Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Charlton reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again on Monday next.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 166), to amend the Statute Law, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Charlton reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again on Monday next.

Mr. Powell asked the following Question :—

1. What are the duties of the Crown Timber Agent at Ottawa? Does he make any collections, and if so, why is the Department, and not the Ottawa District given credit for such collections, as are shewn on page 24 of the Report of the Commissioner of Crown Lands for 1901? What were the amount of his collections, if any, last year?

To which the Commissioner of Crown Lands replied as follows :—

1. (a) The duties of the Crown timber agency at Ottawa, the staff of which consists of the agent and his assistant, are :—

To keep a register of the territory under timber license in the agency, and to prepare yearly licenses therefor, and transmit same to the Department for signature of the Commissioner.

To make collections on account of ground rent and timber dues, and forward same to the Department.

(b) Yes; on page 24 of the report of the Commissioner of Crown Lands for 1901 the words "at Department" were inadvertently added.

The amount of the collections of the Ottawa Crown Timber Agency last year was \$211,312 66.

Mr. Allen asked the following Question :—

What amount has the Government paid to the various Municipalities entitled to receive payment for timber, other than pine, cut upon road allowances since the year 1882. Are they now prepared to pay to the various municipalities claiming dues on other timber than pine, cut upon road allowances. What reason, if any, have dues upon timber, other than pine, been withheld.

And the Commissioner of Crown Lands replied as follows :—

The Government has approved a refund of \$144.85.

Yes.

The legislation under which these refunds are made was passed in February, 1871. When it was put in force, the refunds were confined to the dues on pine timber, and have been restricted to the dues on that kind of timber until recently, when the whole matter was looked into, and, as the language of the Statute authorized, a refund of dues on all kinds of timber, it was determined to refund on timber other than pine.

Mr. Morrison asked the following Question :—

What amount of pulpwood has been exported out of the Province during the year 1901, and by whom.

To which the Commissioner of Crown Lands replied that

The Department has no means of knowing what amount of pulpwood cut on private lands was exported during the year 1901. The amount cut on Crown lands under permit and exported under the provisions of 63 Victoria, chapter 11, was 10,000 cords. The 10,000 cords were cut by the North Shore Timber Co.

Mr. Thompson asked the following Question :—

What extent of timber lands was given Mr. George Chew, or Chew Bros., in lieu of their claim upon certain islands claimed by them in the Georgian Bay. Why was such transfer made. Where is the timber land situated and what value, or quantity of timber, was on the territory so transferred.

To which the Commissioner of Crown Lands replied as follows :—

Four millions of feet board measure of pine timber.

Because it was expedient to preserve the islands of the Georgian Bay in a state of nature, as far as possible, and these islands, which lay between the Parry Sound ship channel and Moosedeer Point, had been under license for a number of years and had been purchased by the Messrs. Chew from the holders of the license for a considerable sum of money.

The timber is situated in the Township of Oapreol. The amount is 4,000,000 feet B. M.

Mr. Carscallen asked the following Question :—

1. What are the several classes of goods, wares, or merchandise made in the Central Prison, in Toronto, at the present time and during the years 1899, 1900, 1901. 2. What is the value of the total output of goods, wares or merchandise made at the Central Prison during the years 1897, 1898, 1899, 1900 and 1901 respectively by the prison authorities and by contractors respectively. 3. How many contracts are there at present in existence between the Government and other persons or corporations for the manufacture of goods, wares or merchandise at the Central Prison in the production whereof convict labor is employed. 4. What is the date of the several contracts now in existence and with whom are such contracts, or agreements, made. 5. To what class of goods, wares or merchandise, does each contract relate and what was the value of the output by each contractor. 6. What was the cost *per diem* of the care and maintenance of each prisoner confined at the Central Prison during the years 1897, 1898, 1899, 1900 and 1901 respectively.

And the Provisional Secretary replied as follows :—

1. The classes of goods manufactured at the Central Prison at the present time and during the three previous years, consist of woollen cloth, clothing, boots and shoes, iron bedsteads, brooms, whisks, binder twine and rope, and wooden ware.

2. The output of goods on Central Prison account was for the respective years as follows :—In 1897, \$96,166.48 ; in 1898, \$98,026.95 ; in 1899, \$92,615.84 ; in 1900, \$85,774.92 ; and in 1901, \$95,936.07.

The value of the output of goods of Contractors is not known to the Department ; their business operations are not a matter of record in the Department.

3. There are two contracts at present in existence between the Government and business corporations :—A broom contract and a cordage contract.

4. The dates of existing contracts and the corporations with which they are made are as follows :—Broom contract made June 1st, 1900, with H. A. Nelson & Sons Co., Limited ; Cordage Contract, made October 28th, 1900, with the Independent Cordage Company, Limited.

5. The broom contract relates to brooms and whisks. The cordage contract relates to binder twine and general cordage.

The value of the output by each Contractor is not known. The business operations of the Companies is not a matter of record in the Department.

6. The per diem cost of maintenance of each prisoner confined in the Central Prison, was, for the specified years, as follows :—In 1897, it was 39 1-10c. ; in 1898, it was 44 1-7c. ; in 1899, it was 44 1-5c. ; in 1900, it was 43 33-100c. ; and in 1901, it was 46 47-100c. Provision and clothing cost considerably more in 1901 than in 1900, as did also coal, a circumstance which increased the per diem cost for maintenance. The totals of all maintenance charges for 1901 are less than for the previous year.

Mr. Carnegie asked the following Question :—

How many students have attended the Guelph Dairy School, each year, since 1894.

And the Minister of Agriculture replied that

The number of students who attended the Guelph Dairy School for each year since 1894 is as follows —

1895	100
1896	69
1897	63
1898	110
1899	129
1900	83
1901	80
1902 (Spring term).....	70
Total	704

Mr. Brower asked the following Question :—

Was John Sullivan, late Inspector of Fisheries for the County of Elgin, short in his accounts with the Province. If so, what is the exact amount of such shortage. Who are his sureties. Did he resign or was he dismissed. Has any person been appointed in his place. If so, who.

And the Minister of Public Works replied as follows :—

John Sullivan was \$255 short in his account with the Fishery Department. The amount was subsequently paid. The Employer's Liability Assurance Corporation were his sureties. He resigned his office, and Charles W. Wannacott has been appointed in his place.

On motion of Mr. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Duff,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of copies of all correspondence between any person or persons resident in the Townships of Sunnidale, Floss or Vespra, and the Government, or any member or official thereof, relating to the drowning of lards therein, caused by the overflow of the Mad and Nottawasga Rivers, together with a copy of the Report of the Engineer, upon the cause of such overflow or flood.

On motion of Mr. Carnegie, seconded by Mr. Duff,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of copies of all correspondence between the Government, or any member or official thereof, and any person or persons, concerning the using of any patent ballot box in the Provincial Elections.

The following Bills were severally read the second time :—

Bill (No. 202), To amend the Act respecting the Barberry Shrub.
Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 201), To amend the Ontario Game Protection Act.
Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 75), Respecting the Algoma Steel Company, Limited.
Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 57), To incorporate the Northern Power Company.
Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 71), To confirm certain By-laws of the Township of Cornwall.
Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 74), To incorporate the Huron and Bruce Railway Company
Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 164), To incorporate the Canada Central Railway Company.
Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 72), To change the name of the Town of Tilsonburg to the Town of Tillsonburg.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 181), Respecting the Algoma Tube Works, Limited.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 70), Respecting the Estate of William John Moore, deceased.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 59), Respecting the Township of Etobicoke.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 177), To amend the Ontario Companies Act.

Referred to the Legal Committee.

Bill (No. 132), To amend the Workmen's Compensation Act.

Referred to the Legal Committee.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 192), To amend the Ontario Factories Act having been read,

Mr. Carscallen moved,

That the Bill be now read the second time.

And the Motion, having been put, was lost on a Division.

And so it was declared in the Negative.

Mr. Stratton presented to the House :—

Return to an Order of the House of the twenty-seventh day of January last for a Return, a copy of any Report, or other document, made to any Department of the Government by the engineer, or other officer or person, who surveyed the route of the proposed Temiskaming Railway. (*Sessional Papers No. 74*)

The House then adjourned at 5.50 p.m.

Monday, 10th March, 1902.

PRAYERS.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Ross, the Petition of the Township Council of Ross.

By Mr. Miscampbell, the Petition of the Methodist Church of Dalston.

By Mr. Breithaupt, the Petition of the Town Council of Berlin.

By Mr. Truax, the Petition of M. O. Peart and others of Eden Grove and Cargill.

By Mr. Foy, the Petition of the Toronto Central W. O. T. U.

By Mr. Holmes, the Petition of the Gutta Percha and Rubber Manufacturing Company, Limited.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Township Council of East Whitby ; also, of the Township Council of Palmerston and North and South Canonto ; also, of the Township Council of Blythfield and Bagot, severally praying certain amendments to the County Councils Act, respecting the constitution of County Councils.

Of A. F. Jury and others ; also, of John A. Nicholls and others ; also, of Josiah H. Ablett and others ; also, of Thomas Hurd and others ; also, of Gordon Waldron, all of Toronto, severally praying for the grouping of the City of Toronto and the County of York, into one constituency, returning seven or more members to the Legislature under the Hare system of Proportionate Representation.

Of A. S. Murphy and others of Harvey, praying for the enactment of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Mr. McKay, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented their Twenty-fifth Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully examined the Petition of the Village Council of New Hamburg praying that an Act may pass to authorize the granting of a bonus of \$10,000 to assist the New Hamburg Manufacturing Company in the rebuilding of their foundry, and find that on account of the very recent date of the disaster, which rendered necessary the proposed legislation, no notice has been published, with reference to the same, in either the "Ontario Gazette" or the local papers.

The Committee have had evidence produced before them to shew that on the 28th day of February last the buildings, works, plant and property of the Company were destroyed by fire, and the *employés* and operatives were thereby thrown out of employment ; that a petition has been presented to the Council of the Village of New Hamburg signed by one hundred and twenty-five ratepayers out of the total available number of one hundred and fifty-six, urging the Council to promptly take any necessary steps to secure the restoration of the works, and agreeing to sanction aid in that behalf by way of bonus to an amount not exceeding \$10,000.

The Committee are of the opinion that all parties interested are fully aware of the proposed legislation, and would therefore recommend the suspension of the Rule in this case.

On motion of Mr. Gibson, seconded by Mr. Dryden,

Resolved, That with a view to the immediate submission of the Petition of the Corporation of the Town of Berlin to the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, the same be now read and received and the Rules of the House suspended accordingly.

The following Petition was then read and received :—

Of the Town Council of Berlin, praying that an Act may pass legalizing and confirming By-law No. 375 of the Town, granting aid by way of bonus to the extent of \$25,000 to the Ontario Sugar Company Limited.

Mr. Davis, from the Standing Committee on Municipal Law, presented their Second Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered :—

Bills, Nos. 77, 78, 79, 82, 85, 88, 102, 103, 109, 114, 121, 124, 134, 135, 137, 140, 145, 147, 148, 153, 155, 156, 157, 158, 160, intituled Acts to amend the Municipal Act, and so much thereof as the Committee have approved, with amendments, has been embodied in a Bill intituled :—

The Municipal Amendment Act, 1902.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 206), intituled "An Act respecting the Village of New Hamburg."—Mr. Kribs.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills, without formality of posting.

Bill (No. 211), intituled "The Municipal Amendment Act, 1902."—Mr. Davis.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 212), intituled "The Assessment Act, 1902."—Mr. Davis.

Ordered. That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 213), intituled "The Wills Act, 1902."—Mr. Gibson.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Ross, seconded by Mr. Gibson,

Resolved, That on and after Wednesday next, there shall, unless otherwise ordered, be two sittings of the House on each day, the first to begin at eleven of the clock in the forenoon, Mr. Speaker to leave the Chair at One of the clock, without the question being put.

On motion of Mr. Dryden, seconded by Mr. Gibson,

Resolved, That this House will on To-day resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider a certain proposed Resolution, respecting compensation to owners of Barberry Shrub, who uproot or destroy the same, under the Act in that behalf.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 159), Respecting the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors in the Province of Ontario, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Carpenter reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into Committee to consider Bill (No. 194), To amend the Ontario Factories Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Carpenter reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the House to resolve itself into a Committee to consider a proposed Resolution respecting compensation for destruction of Barberry Shrubs.

Mr. Ross acquainted the House that His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the proposed Resolution, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

The House then resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That where the owner, or occupant, of lands situate within a city, town or incorporated village removes and destroys such hedge, fence or plant as required by the Minister and such hedge, fence or plant has been planted before the passing of this Act, he will be entitled to such compensation as the Minister in his discretion may see fit to allow, such compensation to be paid out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of the Province.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Carpenter reported, That the Committee had come to a certain Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Carpenter reported the Resolution as follows:

Resolved, That where the owner, or occupant, of lands situate within a city, town or incorporated village removes and destroys such hedge, fence or plant as required by the Minister, and such hedge, fence or plant has been planted before the passing of this Act, he will be entitled to such compensation as the Minister in his discretion may see fit to allow, such compensation to be paid out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of the Province.

The Resolution, having been read the second time, was agreed to, and referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bill (No. 202.)

The House resolved itself into Committee, to consider Bill (No. 202). To amend the Act respecting the Barberry Shrub, and after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Carpenter reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee severally to consider the following Bills :—

Bill (No. 44), To incorporate the Petrolea Rapid Railway Company.

Bill (No. 34, Respecting the Hamilton, Ancaster and Brantford Railway Company.

Bill (No. 72, To change the name of the Town of Tilsonburg to the Town of Tillsonburg.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. McKay reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the several Bills with certain amendments.

The Amendments having been read the second time were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bills reported, be severally read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee severally to consider the following Bills :—

Bill (No. 58), To incorporate The New Ontario Railway Company.

Bill (No. 6), To incorporate The Middlesex and Elgin Inter-urban Railway Company.

Bill (No. 50), To incorporate the South Western Traction Company.

Bill (No. 48), To confer certain powers on the Trustees of the Will of the late John Bacon.

Bill (No. 62), Respecting the Town of Wiarton.

Bill (No. 75), Respecting the Algoma Steel Company, Limited.

Bill (No. 71), To confirm certain By-laws of the Township of Cornwall.

Bill (No. 59), Respecting the Township of Etobicoke.

Bill (No. 181), Respecting the Algoma Tube Works, Limited.

Bill (No. 70), Respecting the Estate of William John Moore, deceased.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. McKay reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the several Bills without amendment.

Ordered, That the Bills reported, be severally read the third time To-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the second time :—

Bill (No. 198), Respecting Electric Railways.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 204), To amend the Ontario Election Act.

Referred to Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 206), Respecting a certain Drainage Debt of the Township of Sarnia.

Referred to Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 196), To confirm By-law No. 185 of the Village of Point Edward.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 180), To authorize the Trustees of the Holy Blossom to convey certain lands.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 91), To authorize the Royal Trust Company to do business in the Province of Ontario.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 66), Respecting the Town of Rat Portage.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Mr. Stratton presented to the House :—

Return to an Order of the House of the 7th day of March instant, for a Return of copies of all correspondence between any person or persons resident in the Townships of Sunnidale, Flos or Vespra, and the Government or any member or official thereof, relating to the drowning of lands therein caused by the overflow of the Mad and Nottawasaga rivers, together with a copy of the Report of the Engineers upon the cause of such overflow or flood. (*Sessional Papers No 75.*)

The House then adjourned at 10.55 p.m.

Tuesday, 11th March, 1902.

PRAYERS.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Marter, the Petition of H. S. Mathews and others of North Toronto.

By Mr. Whitney, the Petition of the County Council of the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry.

The following Petition was read and received :—

Of Gravel Hill W. C. T. U., praying for the enactment of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Mr Gibson, from the Standing Committee on Legal Bills, presented their Second Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered the following Bills, and have prepared certain amendments thereto respectively :—

Bill (No. 83), To amend the Drainage Act.

Bill (No. 177), To amend the Ontario Companies Act, and

Bill (No. 89), To amend the Mechanics and Wage-earners' Lien Act.

The Committee have also carefully considered Bills Nos. 169, 87, 183 and 171, severally proposing to amend The Toll Roads Expropriation Act, and have embodied such of the provisions thereof, and amendments thereto, as were approved of by the Committee, into one Bill (No. 171), and intituled "An Act to amend the Toll Roads Expropriation Act, 1901."

Mr. Dryden from the Standing Committee on Railways presented their Sixteenth Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered Bill (No. 190), to incorporate the Lambton Central Electric Railway Company and have prepared certain amendments to the Bill, and have also amended the Preamble thereof so as to make the same conform with the facts as they were made to appear to the Committee.

The Committee recommend that the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on Bill (No. 47), Respecting the Hamilton Radial Electric Railway Company, the Bill having been withdrawn by the promoters thereof.

The Committee recommend that Rule No. 51 of this Honourable House be further suspended in this that the time for receiving Reports of Committees on Private Bills be further extended until and inclusive of Wednesday the 12th day of March instant.

Ordered, That the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on Bill (No. 47), Respecting The Hamilton Radial Electric Railway Company.

Ordered, That the time for receiving Reports of Committees on Private Bills be further extended until and inclusive of Wednesday the 12th day of March instant.

Mr. Graham from the Standing Committee on Printing, presented their Second Report which was read as follows:—

The Committee recommend that the following Documents be printed:—

Report of Commissioner of Crown Lands. (*Sessional Papers No. 3.*)

Report of the Clerk of Forestry. (*Sessional Papers No. 4.*)

Report of Bureau of Mines. (*Sessional Papers No. 5.*)

Report of Commissioner of Public Works. (*Sessional Papers No. 7.*)

Report of Inspectors of Factories. (*Sessional Papers No. 8.*)

Report of Registrar General. (*Sessional Papers No. 9.*)

Report of Inspector of Insurance. (*Sessional Papers No. 10.*)

Report of Loan Companies. (*Sessional Papers No. 11.*)

Report of Ontario Agricultural College. (*Sessional Papers No. 14.*)

Report of Agricultural and Experimental Union. (*Sessional Papers No. 15.*)

Report of Fruit Growers Association. (*Sessional Papers No. 16.*)

Report of Fruit Experiment Stations. (*Sessional Papers No. 17.*)

Report of Inspector of Fumigation Appliances. (*Sessional Papers No. 18.*)

Report of Entomological Society. (*Sessional Papers No. 19.*)

Report of Bee-Keepers Association. (*Sessional Papers No. 20.*)

Report of Poultry Association. (*Sessional Papers No. 21.*)

Report of Dairymens Associations. (*Sessional Papers No. 22.*)

Report of Live Stock Breeders Association. (*Sessional Papers No. 23.*)

Report of Registrar of Live Stock. (*Sessional Papers No. 24.*)

Report of Commissioner of Highways. (*Sessional Papers No. 27.*)

Report of Bureau of Industries. (*Sessional Papers No. 28.*)

Report of Bureau of Labour. (*Sessional Papers No. 29.*)

Report of Department of Fisheries. (*Sessional Papers No. 31.*)

Report of Director of Colonization. (*Sessional Papers No. 32.*)

Report of the Inspector of Registry Offices. (*Sessional Papers No. 35.*)

Report of Board of Health. (*Sessional Papers No. 36.*)

Report upon the Lunatic and Idiot Asylums. (*Sessional Papers No. 38.*)

Report upon Prisons and Reformatories. (*Sessional Papers No. 39.*)

Report upon Hospitals and Refuges. (*Sessional Papers No. 40.*)

Report of Superintendent of Neglected and Dependent Children. (*Sessional Papers No 43.*)

Report of Ontario Assessment Commission. (*Sessional Papers No. 48.*)

Report of Inspector of San Jose Scale. (*Sessional Papers No. 54.*)

Report on Sugar Beet Experiments. (*Sessional Papers No. 63.*)

Agreement with Nepigon Pulp and Paper Company. (*Sessional Papers No. 64.*)

Agreement with Sturgeon Falls Pulp Co. (*Sessional Papers No. 67.*)

Agreement with Blanche River Pulp and Paper Co. (*Sessional Papers No. 68.*)

Agreement with Montreal River Pulp and Paper Co. (*Sessional Papers No. 71.*)

The Committee recommend that the following be not printed:—

Return shewing number of trees infested with San José Scale. (*Sessional Papers No 57.*)

Return *re* bonuses to Railways. (*Sessional Papers No. 58.*)

Return *re* number of Persons in Gaols. (*Sessional Papers No. 59.*)

Return *re* appointments made by Fishery Department. (*Sessional Papers No. 60.*)

Return *re* names of License Inspectors. (*Sessional Papers No. 61.*)

Return *re* Scott Enquiry. (*Sessional Papers No. 62.*)

Return *re* correspondence of McNab Lumber Company and others. (*Sessional Papers No. 65.*)

Return *re* correspondence *re* Export of Gas. (*Sessional Papers No. 66.*)

Report of W. T. Jennings *re* Grand River. (*Sessional Papers No. 69.*)

Return *re* Visiting Committees *re* Neglected Children. (*Sessional Papers No. 70.*)

Report of Distribution of Statutes. (*Sessional Papers No. 72.*)

Return *re* Cold Storage Associations. (*Sessional Papers No. 73.*)

The Committee recommend that 100 copies of the "Speakers Decisions" be purchased for distribution to members.

Also 25 copies Begg's History of the North-West at \$4.00 per set.

Resolved, That this House doth concur in the Second Report of the Committee on Printing.

Mr. Davis, from the Standing Committee on Municipal Law, presented their Third Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered Bills Nos. 99, 107, 115, 123, 127, 154, 168, intituled Bills to amend the Assessment Act, and so much thereof as the Committee have approved, with amendments, has been embodied in a Bill intituled "The Assessment Amendment Act, 1902"

Mr. McKay, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented their Twenty-sixth Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully examined the Petition of the Town Council of Berlin, praying that an Act may pass to confirm and legalize By-law No. 735 of the Corporation granting aid by way of bonus to the extent of \$25,000 to the Ontario Sugar Company, Limited, and find the notices as published sufficient.

The Committee recommend that Rule No. 64 of this Honourable House be suspended in this matter, as also in reference to the Petition of the Village Council of New Hamburg, reported by the Committee in their last Report, so that the Bills founded on these Petitions may be taken into consideration by the Private Bills Committee immediately, without being posted in the Lobby for five days, as required by the said Rule.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 128), To amend The Public Schools Act, having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith again referred to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. McKay reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time To-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the third time and passed :—

Bill (No. 50). To incorporate The South Western Traction Company.

Bill (No. 75), Respecting the Algoma Steel Company Limited.

Bill (No. 71), To confirm certain By-laws of the Township of Cornwall.

Bill (No. 72), To change the name of the Town of Tilsonburg to the Town of Tillsonburg.

Bill (No. 181), Respecting the Algoma Tube Works, Limited.

Bill (No. 70), Respecting the Estate of William John Moore, deceased.

The following Bill was introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 210), intituled “ An Act relating to the Town of Berlin and The Ontario Sugar Company.—Mr. Breithaupt.

On motion of Mr. Gibson, seconded by Mr. Harcourt,

Ordered—That Bill (No. 206), “ Respecting the Village of New Hamburg,” and Bill (No. 210), “ Relating to the Town of Berlin and the Ontario Sugar Company,” be referred to the Standing Committee on Private Bills for immediate consideration and report, and that the Rules of the House respecting posting of Private Bills be, and they are hereby suspended.

On motion of Mr. Davis, seconded by Mr. Stratton,

Resolved, That this House doth ratify an Agreement, dated the 15th day of December, A.D. 1901, a copy of which was laid on the Table on Monday, the 3rd day of March instant, amending a certain agreement made by and between Her Majesty, represented by the Commissioner of Crown Lands for the Province of Ontario, and the Sturgeon Falls Pulp Company, Limited, of date the 6th day of October, A.D. 1898.

On motion of Mr. Davis, seconded by Mr. Stratton,

Resolved, That this House doth ratify an Agreement, dated the 4th day of February, A.D., 1902, a copy of which was laid on the Table on Monday the 3rd day of March instant, amending a certain agreement made by and between Her Majesty represented by the Commissioner of Crown Lands for the Province of Ontario and the Nipegon, Pulp, Paper and Manufacturing Company, Limited, of date the 18th day of April, A.D., 1900.

On motion of Mr. Davis, seconded by Mr. Stratton:—

Resolved—That this House doth ratify an Agreement dated the 25th day of May A.D. 1901, a copy of which was laid on the Table on Monday the 3rd day of March instant, amending a certain agreement made by and between Her Majesty represented by the Commissioner of Crown Lands for the Province of Ontario and the Blanche River Pulp and Paper Company, Limited, of date 14th day of April, A.D. 1900.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 98) "The Temiskaming and Northern Ontario Railway Act," and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Graham reported, that the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without amendments.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 195) "To provide for the removal of obstructions in Rivers and Streams in certain cases," and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Graham reported that the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The following Bill was read the second time:—

Bill (No. 207) "To amend the High Schools Act."—Mr. Harcourt.

Referred to the same Select Committee to which was referred Bill (No. 167), To amend the High Schools Act.

The House again resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 166) "To amend the Statute Law," and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Graham reported the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered : That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the House to again resolve itself into the Committee of Supply, having been read,

Mr. Ross moved,

That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair, and that the House do again resolve itself into the Committee.

Mr. Powell moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Carnegie,

That all the words in the Motion after the word "That" be struck out and the following substituted therefor :

"This House regrets that the Government, in view of the grant made for the survey of the Temiskaming and Northern Railway at the last Session, has taken no sufficient steps to secure from the Dominion Government a subsidy of at least \$6,400 *per* mile for this Railway, to which the Province is entitled, in view of the large amount expended on railways in other Provinces by the Federal Government. This House also regrets that in view of the promise to undertake the immediate construction of this railway, no plans and profiles of the lands surveyed, together with complete reports and estimates showing how the total cost of construction is arrived at, have been placed before the House."

And the Amendment, having been put, was lost on the following division :—

YEAS.

Messieurs :

Allen	Eilber	Kribs	McDonald
Barr	Fallis	Little	McLaughlin
Beatty (Leeds,)	Fox	Lucas.	Powell
Boyd	Hoyle	Matheson	Pyne
Brower	Jamieson	Miscampbell	Reid (Durham.)
Carnegie	Jessop	Monteith	Thompson
Colquhoun	Joynt	Morrison	Tucker
Crawford	Kidd	Macdiarmid	Whitney—33
Duff			

NAYS.

Messieurs :

Auld	Clarke	Hislop	Pattullo
Aylsworth	Conmee	Holmes	Pense
Barber	Davis	Latchford	Pettypiece
Blezard	Dickenson	Loughrin	Preston
Bowman	Dryden	Lumsden	Richardson
Breithaupt	Farwell	Malcolm	Ross
Bridgland	Gibson	Munro	Russell
Brown	Graham	Mutrie	Smith
Burt	Guilbord	McKay	Stratton
Caldwell	Harcourt	McKee	Taylor
Carpenter	Hill	Pardee	Truax—44

PAIRS.

Garrow	....	....	....	....	....	Carscallen.
Leys	....	....	....	....	....	Robson.
Douglas	....	....	....	....	....	Dempsey.
Pardo	....	....	....	....	....	Reid (Addington).
Gross	....	....	....	....	....	Foy.
Beatty (Parry Sound)		....	....	....	....	Gallagher.
Lee	....	....	....	....	....	Wardell.
Charlton	..	....	....	....	....	Marter.

The Original Motion having been again put, was carried on the following division :—

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Charlton	Marter.

And the House, accordingly again resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That there be granted to His Majesty, for the services of 1902, the following sum :—

98. To defray the expenses of Administration of Justice, \$1,467.00.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Graham reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution ; also, That the Committee had directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-morrow.

The House then adjourned at 11.20 p.m.

Wednesday, 12th March, 1902.

PRAYERS.

11 O'CLOCK A.M.

On motion of the Attorney-General, seconded by Mr. Whitney, it was

Resolved, That this House, sympathising with the Premier of the Province in his recent and heavy bereavement, in the sudden loss of his wife, do now adjourn until 3 of the clock in the afternoon, as a mark of the unanimous feeling of deep sorrow entertained by the Members of this Legislature.

The House then adjourned.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Speaker having taken the Chair,

Mr. Gibson announced to the House, that it being considered necessary, in his opinion, that certain Bills which had passed the House should receive the Royal Assent To-day, in order that certain other proposed measures may be properly passed by the House, that His Honour the Chief Justice of Ontario, who had been commissioned by the Executive of Canada to act in the name, place and stead of Sir Oliver Mowat, who was incapacitated by illness, would attend in the Chamber and give his assent to the Bills as required.

Mr. Speaker having then left the Chair,

His Honour the Honourable John Douglas Armour, Chief Justice of Ontario, entered the Chamber of the Legislative Assembly and took his seat on the Throne and presented his Commission, which was read by the Clerk at the Table as follows:—

MINTO.

[L.S.]

CANADA.

EDWARD THE SEVENTH, by the GRACE OF GOD, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India.

To the Honourable John Douglas Armour, Chief Justice of Ontario, in Our Dominion of Canada, Greeting.

Whereas by Our Letters Patent under the Great Seal of Canada, bearing date the Eighteenth day of November, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, We were pleased to appoint the Honourable Sir Oliver Mowat, Knight, to be our Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Ontario, in Our Dominion of Canada:

E. L. Newcombe
Deputy of the
Minister of
Justice
Canada.

And whereas it is anticipated that the said the Honourable Sir Oliver Mowat will be unable, through illness, to be present for the purpose of giving assent in Our name to such Bills as may pass the Legislative Assembly during the present Session as may properly be assented to, and also of proroguing the said Legislature, and We deem it expedient that provision should be made for the giving of assent in Our name to such Bills as may pass the said Legislative Assembly during the present session, and as may properly be assented to, and also for proroguing the said Legislature.

Now know you that reposing special trust and confidence in your prudence, courage, loyalty, integrity, and ability. We have thought fit by and with the advice of Our Privy Council for Canada to constitute and appoint you, and We do hereby constitute and appoint you the said The Honourable John Douglas Armour to be the Administrator of the Government of the said Province of Ontario and to execute the office and functions of Lieutenant-Governor thereof, for the purpose of Giving assent in Our name to such Bills as may pass the said Legislative Assembly during the present session as may properly be assented to, and also for the purpose of proroguing the said Legislature, together with all and every the powers, rights, authority, privileges, profits, emoluments and advantages unto the said office of right and by law appertaining. And We do hereby authorize, empower, require and command you the said the Honourable John Douglas Armour to do and execute all things that shall belong to your command as such Administrator as aforesaid, and the trust We have so reposed in you in accordance with the laws and statutes in force in Our Dominion of Canada in that behalf and with such instructions as may lawfully be given to you in respect to the said Province of Ontario and the Government

thereof by Order of Our Governor-General of Canada for the time being under the sign manual and according to such laws as are (or shall be from time to time) in force within the said Province. And we do order and direct that these Our said Letters Patent do and shall take effect on, from and after the taking by you of the prescribed oaths and that they shall cease and determine upon the execution by you of the said functions herein-before mentioned.

In testimony whereof, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Canada to be hereunto affixed. Witness: Our Right Trusty and Right Well beloved Cousin The Right Honourable Sir Gilbert John Elliot, Earl of Minto, and Viscount Melgund of Melgund, County of Forfar, in the Peerage of the United Kingdom: Baron Minto of Minto, County of Roxburgh in the Peerage of Great Britain, Baronet of Nova Scotia: Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, etc., Governor-General of Canada.

At Our Government House in Our City of Ottawa, this eleventh day of March, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and two, and in the second year of Our Reign.

By Command,

JOSEPH POPE,
Under Secretary of State.

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The Clerk Assistant then read the Titles of certain Bills which had passed as follows:—

An Act to provide for the Revision of the Statute Law.

An Act respecting Mortmain and the disposition of lands for Charitable Uses.

To these Bills the Royal Assent was announced by the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly in the following words:—

In His Majesty's name His Honour the Administrator of the Government, doth assent to these Bills.

His Honour was then pleased to retire, and

Mr. Speaker having resumed the Chair,

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of the Gutta Percha and Rubber Manufacturing Company, Limited, of Toronto, praying that no legislation may pass the House respecting the construction of proposed subway at Lansdowne Avenue.

Of the Township Council of Ross, praying certain amendments to the County Councils Act, respecting the constitution of County Councils.

Of the Dalston Methodist Church, praying certain amendments to the Bill before the House respecting the sale of Intoxicating Liquor in the Province respecting a sixty *per cent.* majority.

Of the Central Toronto W.C.T.U. ; also, of M. C. Peart and others of Eden Grove, severally praying for the enactment of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Mr. Harcourt, from the Standing Committee on Private Bills, presented their Seventeenth Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered the following Bills :—

Bill (No. 209), “ Respecting the Village of New Hamburg,” and

Bill (No. 210), “ Respecting the Town of Berlin and the Ontario Sugar Company, Limited,” and report the same without amendments.

The Committee have carefully considered :—

Bill (No. 37). “ Respecting the Town of Fort William, 1902,” and report the same with amendments.

Mr. Charlton, from the Standing Committee on Public Accounts, presented their third Report, which was read and adopted. (*Appendix No. 1.*)

Mr. Mutrie from the Standing Committee on Agriculture and Colonization, presented their Report, which was read and adopted. (*Appendix No. 2.*)

The following Bills were severally read the third time and passed :—

Bill (No. 100), To amend the Jurors' Act.

Bill (No. 179), To amend the Joint Stock Companies Winding-up Act.

Bill (No. 48), To confer certain powers on the Trustees of the Will of the late John Bacon.

Bill (No. 44), To incorporate the Petrolea Rapid Railway Company.

Bill (No. 34), Respecting the Hamilton, Ancaster and Brantford Railway Company.

Bill (No. 98), The Temiskaming and Northern Ontario Railway Act.

Bill (No. 5), To provide for the removal of obstructions in Rivers and Streams in certain cases.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 144), To amend the San José Scale Act having been read.

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith again referred to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House, accordingly resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Charlton reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 6), To incorporate the Middlesex and Elgin Inter-Urban Railway Company having been read.

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith again referred to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Charlton reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Gibson seconded by Mr. Dryden.

Resolved, that this House do forthwith resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider a certain proposed Resolution respecting Fees to Criers.

Mr. Gibson acquainted the House that His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the proposed Resolution recommends it to the consideration of the House.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That the fees to be taken by Criers pursuant to chapter 101 of the Revised Statutes of Ontario shall be as follows :

1. Making proclamation for opening or adjourning the Court of Assize, Nisi Prius, Oyer and Terminer, and General Gaol Delivery, General Sessions, County Court, and County Judges Criminal Court.	\$0 25
2. Making every other proclamation.	25
3. Calling and swearing Grand Jury.	50
4. Calling and swearing every petit Jury.	50
5. Calling and swearing every witness or constable.	10
6. Attending Assizes, General Sessions, County Court, and County Judge's Criminal Court, per diem.	\$2 00

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Charlton reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Charlton reported the Resolution as follows :—

Resolved, That the fees to be taken by Criers pursuant to chapter 101 of the Revised Statutes of Ontario shall be as follows :

1. Making proclamation for opening or adjourning the Court of Assize, Nisi Prius, Oyer and Terminer, and General Gaol Delivery, General Sessions, County Court, and County Judges Criminal Court	\$0 25
2. Making every other proclamation	25
3. Calling and swearing Grand Jury	50
4. Calling and swearing every petit jury	50
5. Calling and swearing every witness or constable	10
6. Attending Assizes, General Sessions, County Court, and County Judge's Criminal Court, per diem	2 00

The Resolution having been read the second time, was agreed to, and referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bill (No. 166) To amend the Statute Law.

The Order of the Day for the House to resolve itself into a Committee to consider certain proposed Resolutions respecting Aid to certain Railways, having been read,

Mr. Gibson acquainted the House that His Honour, the Lieutenant-Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the proposed Resolutions recommends them to the consideration of the House.

The House then resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That there shall be granted out of the Consolidated Reserve Fund for the construction of the portions of railways hereinafter mentioned, the sums following, that is to say :

(1) To the Pembroke Southern Railway from the Town of Pembroke to a point in the Township of Ross, not exceeding a distance of 15 miles, a cash subsidy of \$3,000 a mile.....\$45,000

(2) To the Bay of Quinte Railway (formerly the Kingston, Napanee and Western Railway) for such extensions of branches or additions to its projected and authorized line of railway northerly of the Village of Tweed, as will not exceed fifty miles in all, and will enable the said Company to connect its line of railway with the iron ore deposits or other mineral lands lying northward of the said Village of Tweed, in renewal and exten-

tion of the amount granted to the Kingston, Napanee and Western Railway in the year 1893, a cash subsidy of \$3,000 a mile\$150,000
 Re-vote.....\$90,000

(3) To the Irondale, Bancroft and Ottawa Railway Company from Kinmount Junction to Irondale (subject to conditions in the Act respecting Railways) a distance of ten miles, and from a point thirty-five miles from Irondale and thence easterly for a distance of ten miles ; also from Palmer Rapids to the Town of Renfrew, a distance of about fifty miles, in all a distance not exceeding seventy miles, a cash subsidy of \$3,000 a mile.....\$210,000
 Re-vote\$30,000

(4) To a Railway from Dinorwic Station, in the District of Algoma, northerly to Lake Minetakie, a distance of fifteen miles, a cash subsidy of \$3,000 a mile...\$45,000.

(5) To the James Bay Railway Company from a point on the Canada Atlantic Railway near Rose Point to a point on the Georgian Bay in the Town of Parry Sound, a distance not exceeding 5 miles ; and from a point on the main line of the James Bay Railway at or near the Town of Parry Sound to a point on the Canadian Pacific Railway at or near Sudbury, a distance not exceeding 90 miles (in all 95 miles) in addition to subsidies previously granted, a cash subsidy of \$1,000 a mile.....\$95,000

(6) To the Thunder Bay, Nepigon and St. Joe Railway from a point thirty miles east of Port Arthur, a distance of ten miles, a cash subsidy of \$2,000 a mile in addition to 5,000 acres of land *per* mile.....\$20,000

(7) To the Lindsay, Bobcaygeon Pontypool Railway from the Village of Bobcaygeon to the Town of Lindsay, a distance not exceeding 19 miles, a cash subsidy of \$3,000 a mile.....\$57,000

(8) To the Bruce Mines and Algoma Railway from a point at or near Bruce Mines to a point on the North Shore of Lake Huron a distance not exceeding four miles a cash subsidy of \$3,000 a mile.....\$12,000

(9) To the Nepigon Railway Company from a point at or near Nepigon Station to a point at or near the head of Long Portage, a distance not exceeding fourteen miles a cash subsidy of \$3,000 a mile.....\$42,000

(10) To the Lake Superior, Long Lake and Albany River Railway from a point at or near Peninsula Harbor northerly a distance not exceeding ten miles, a cash subsidy of \$3,000 a mile.\$30,000

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Charlton reported, That the Committee had come to certain Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Charlton reported the Resolutions as follows :—

Resolved, That there shall be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund for the

construction of the portions of railways hereinafter mentioned, the sums following, that is to say :—

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Re-vote\$90,000

(3) To the Irondale, Bancroft and Ottawa Railway Company from Kinmount Junction to Irondale (subject to conditions in the Act respecting Railways) a distance of ten miles, and from a point thirty-five miles from Irondale and thence easterly for a distance of ten miles; also from Palmer Rapids to the Town of Renfrew, a distance of about fifty miles, in all a distance not exceeding seventy miles, a cash subsidy of \$3,000 a mile\$210,000
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The Resolutions having been read the second time, were agreed to, and referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bill (No. 214) Respecting Aid to certain Railways.

The following Bill was then introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 214), intituled "An Act respecting Aid to certain Railways." Mr. Latchford.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 94), Respecting the Imperial Statutes relating to Property and Civil Rights, incorporated into the Statute Law of Ontario, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Charlton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House again resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 178), To amend the Manhood Suffrage Registration Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Charlton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House again resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 159), Respecting the Sale of Intoxicating Liquor in the Province of Ontario, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Carpenter reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 184), Respecting the University of Toronto and University College, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Carpenter reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee, severally to consider the following Bills :—

Bill (No. 64), To incorporate the Huron, Bruce and Grey Electric Railway Company.

Bill (No. 57), To incorporate the Northern Power Company.

Bill (No. 74), To incorporate the Huron and Bruce Railway Company.

Bill (No. 164), To incorporate the Canada Central Railway Company.

Bill (No. 196), To confirm By-law No. 185 of the Village of Point Edward.

Bill (No. 180), To authorize the Trustees of the Holy Blossom to convey certain lands.

Bill (No. 9), To authorize the Royal Trust Company to do business in the Province of Ontario.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Carpenter reported That the Committee had directed him to report the several Bills without Amendments.

Ordered, That the Bills reported, be severally read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 21), Respecting the City of Toronto, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Carpenter reported, That the Committee had made some progress.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-morrow.

Mr. Hoyle asked the following Question :—

Is it the intention of the Government to introduce legislation, during the present Session, giving effect to the following paragraph on page XIII, of the Report of the Minister of Education for 1901 : " A Public School System of a State should be a unit from the Kindergarten to, and including the University, and all private institutions should endeavour to work in harmony with the ideals of public education, so far as their special purpose will permit them, in order that public and private institutions of learning may more fully co operate in the general work of education ; the relation between these institutions should be more clearly defined than it is at the present time."

And the Minister of Education replied as follows :—

If the honourable gentleman will refer to the page of the Report from which the extract is taken, he will find that it does not warrant the inference that the Government intends to introduce legislation in the direction mentioned. It will be noticed that the extract is not the language of the Minister of Education, but simply a portion of the "Declaration of Principles" of the National Educational Association of the United

States. That body is perhaps the largest and most influential body of educationists in the world ; and its enunciation of principles is always of value. It has more than once placed itself on record against any movement that would impair the public school system of the United States. Heretofore all efforts to give a legal status to voluntary, denominational or parochial schools have been successfully resisted by the American people. Judging from its frequent Declaration of Principles, it may be assumed that the Association simply aims to require private schools to be conducted with some degree of efficiency. There is not the slightest ground for supposing that the Association favors the payment of public funds towards voluntary, denominational or parochial schools. In some of the large American cities, it has been claimed that attempts have been made to evade the provisions of the law regarding compulsory attendance, by pretending to acquire elementary training at notoriously defective schools. This condition of affairs has often been referred to by American educationists ; and it may be fairly assumed that the National Educational Association of the United States in the quotation referred to is repeating its previous warnings.

Mr. Whitney asked the following Question :—

Was the complaint of W. H. Bartram, to the Attorney-General, dated 8th July, 1901, and charging the Police Magistrate of London with refusing to entertain an information or complaint of Mr. Bartram, charging the then Mayor of London with an offence, brought to the notice of the Police Magistrate, and, if so, what reply did he make. What action was taken by the Government thereon, and why was such action taken.

To which the Attorney-General replied as follows :—

A complaint was received from Mr. Bartram on the 8th July, but such complaint took the form of a demand for the removal of the Magistrate on the ground of incompetence and wilful disregard of law and fact in the administration of justice. It was not deemed necessary to ask the magistrate for an explanation on a mere general statement of this nature.

Mr. Carnegie asked the following Question :—

What is the area of land covered by the various pulp concessions granted by the Province since 1894. How many cords of pulpwood may be cut by the concessionaires on Government lands, for each cord cut on the concession granted them.

And the Commissioner of Crown Lands replied as follows :—

The area of the reserves granted to the six pulp companies whose concessions have been approved by the Legislature aggregate 275 miles.

None of them has been delimited on the ground as the timber is found to be extremely scattered.

The companies have the right to cut certain parts of their supplies along streams named in their concessions extending back from such streams from $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles to 5 miles. The cutting is to be outside of pine areas and in places approved by the Government. The lands are to remain freely open for settlement and mining, and when sold or located are to be withdrawn from the operation of the concession. It is also expressly provided that the Government may permit other companies to go upon the same territory and cut supplies, if it is deemed proper in the public interest to do so. Under these circumstances, it is not possible to know even approximately the areas which the companies will ultimately cut on.

They are to cut one-twentieth part of their supplies on the reserves.

Mr. Whitney asked the following Question :—

1. Is the Government aware that one Ransom Norton, of the City of London, was, on the 29th day of January 1902, convicted before the Police Magistrate of said City, of having unlawfully and wilfully—at the last municipal election in said city—made additions and interlineations of names in a Poll Book, and that the said Norton, was on said day sentenced to be imprisoned in the Central Prison, with hard labour, for the term of six months. 2. If so, why is it that the said Norton has not been removed to the Central Prison in pursuance of his sentence. 3. Is it true that on the 6th and 24th days of February, 1902, certain prisoners, convicted at a later date than the said Norton, were sent to the Central Prison. 4. Has a Petition, asking that the sentence of the said Norton be commuted, or that he be pardoned, been brought to the notice of the Government. 5. Is it the intention of the Government to order the said Norton to be sent to the Central Prison, in pursuance of his sentence, and if so, when.

And the Provincial Secretary replied as follows :—

1. The Government is aware that Ransom Norton was committed to the Central Prison for a term of six months.

2. The prisoner was retained in the jail at London pending the investigation, it being said he was likely to be required as a witness in certain other prosecutions. He is working in the jail kitchen, where a prisoner is always required, and for which he is fitted.

3. There were no prisoners sent to the Central Prison on the 6th and 24th days of February, 1902. There were four sent to the Central Prison on the 7th, from London. These four were committed for larceny, wilful damage, vagrancy and theft. Notice of sentence of Norton was sent to the Department on the 31st of January.

4. No petition asking the sentence of Norton be commuted or that he be pardoned has been received by the Department.

5. Five warrants were issued at the same time for all the prisoners in the London Jail, committed to the Central Prison. When the bailiff presented them he was informed that Norton was likely to be required as a witness and he was temporarily detained. Since then the sheriff has notified the Department that Norton will not be required, and the bailiff has been instructed to transfer Norton to the Central Prison.

Mr. Crawford asked the following Question :—

Has the Government asked the Assessment Commission to report upon an equitable basis of assessment of Departmental Stores.

To which the Attorney-General replied :—

That no special direction had been given to the Commission, though it had been discussed by and before them.

Mr. Carscallen moved, seconded by Mr. Crawford,

That the Rules of the House as to its sittings be amended in that the sittings thereof be a continuous sitting from one p.m. until seven p.m., and that the House shall not sit beyond the hours aforesaid without the unanimous consent of the House.

And a Debate having arisen, the Motion was, by leave of the House, withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the House to resolve itself into the Committee of the Whole on Bill (No. 125), To amend the Public School Act having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 95), To reduce the expenses of the Administration of Justice having been read,

Mr. Hoyle moved,

That the Bill be now read the second time.

And the Motion, having been put, was lost on a Division.

And so it was declared in the Negative.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 97), To amend the Municipal Act having been read,

Mr. Brower moved,

That the Bill be now read the second time.

And the Motion, having been put, was lost on a Division.

And so it was declared in the Negative.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 117), To amend the Ontario Election Act having been read,

Mr. Macdiarmid moved,

That the Bill be now read the second time.

And the Motion, having been put, was lost on a Division.

And so it was declared in the Negative.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 138), To amend the Election Law, having been read,

Mr. Thompson moved,

That the Bill be now read the second time.

And the Motion, having been put, was lost on a Division.

And so it was declared in the Negative.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 139), To amend the County Councils Act, having been read,

Mr. Smith moved,

That the Bill be now read the second time.

And the Motion, having been put, was lost on a Division.

And so it was declared in the Negative.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 104), To amend the Ontario Game Protection Act, having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 163), To amend the Act respecting the Devolution of Estates, having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 172), respecting the representation of the People in the Legislative Assembly having been read.

Mr. Jamieson moved,

That the Bill be now read the second time.

And the Motion, having been put, was lost on a Division.

And so it was declared in the Negative.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 175), Respecting Civil Engineers having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 181), To amend the High Schools Act having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 189), To amend the Election Act having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 116), to amend the Public Health Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Farwell reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time To-morrow.

The following Bill was read the second time :

Bill (No. 213), The Wills Act, 1902.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 208), To protect the owners of Stallions, having been read,

Ordered That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 206), Respecting a certain debt of the Township of Sarnia, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Farwell reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The following Bill was read the second time :—

Bill (No. 211), The Municipal Amendment Act, 1902.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to a Committee of the Whole forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Farwell reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 201), To amend the Ontario Game Protection Act and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Farwell reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The following Bill was introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 215), intituled “An Act to provide for the incorporation of Towns in Territorial Districts.”—Mr. Conmee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

The House then adjourned at 11.50 p.m.

Monday, 13th March, 1902

PRAYERS.

11 O'CLOCK A.M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Garrow, the Petition of Wingham Council No. 114 R. T. of T.

By Mr. Crawford, the Petition of Youman's W. C. T. U.; also, the Petition of Frank Creber and others; also, the Petition of Sheridan B. T. P. U., all of Toronto.

By Mr. Burt, the Petition of St. George Council No. 53 R. T. of T.

Mr. Gibson, from the Select Committee on Bill (No. 118), To amend the Medical Act, presented their Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Select Committee on Bill (No. 118), To amend the Ontario Medical Act, beg to report that they have considered the provisions thereof, and have had the benefit of numerous deputations representing the Medical Defence Association, the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario and the Universities and Colleges as well as the Medical profession at large. The Committee have found it impossible to reconcile the conflicting views of those who promote the Bill and those who represent the Council and the institutions. Practically, the representatives of the Colleges on the Council are eight in number, it being said that the Ottawa University and Regiopolis College are not represented on the Council, these institutions having no medical teaching faculties. The representatives of licensed practitioners in Homœopathy strongly opposed the abolition of the special representation on the Council to which they became entitled under the provisions of the Act when it was originally passed, claiming that to interfere therewith would be a violation of a solemn compact and a grave breach of faith.

It was urged that the Toronto School of Medicine. Trinity University and the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons, Kingston, not engaged in teaching, should not be represented, but it is claimed on the other hand that if their representation is taken away it can only be done in breach of the original understanding and agreement. Toronto Medical School, Trinity Medical College were formerly affiliated with the University of Toronto and Trinity University respectively and their representation was regarded as equivalent to the representation of their respective Universities and if taken away the Universities claim a corresponding increase of representation, while the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons, Kingston, vigorously resists any proposal to interfere with its vested right of representation. The Committee are of opinion that any interference with the present basis of representation or reconstitution of the Council may well stand over until after the next election of representatives to the Council, in connection with which the views of the profession at large should be obtained, enabling the Legislature to be put in possession of information as to how far a general desire exists among the medical profession for any change in the constitution of the Council. The Committee have prepared an Amendment relieving, for the purpose of the next election, all Medical Practitioners who have been at any time on the Register, from any disqualification as to voting by reason of non payment of their annual fees.

Mr. Harcourt, from the Select Committee to which was referred Bill (No. 167), To amend The High Schools Act, presented the following Report which was read and adopted.

The Committee have carefully considered the Bill to them referred, and have embodied such of the provisions thereof and amendments thereto as were approved of by the Committee into a Bill, which they report as Bill (No. 207), To amend the High Schools Act.

The following Bill was introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 216), intituled " An Act to amend the Election Act."—Mr. Carnegie.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the third time and passed :—

Bill (No. 22), To amend the Act respecting the Great Lakes Railway Company and the Act 60 Victoria, chaptered 94.

Bill (No. 144), To amend the San José Scale Act.

Bill (No. 194), To amend the Ontario Factories Act.

Bill (No. 58), To incorporate the New Ontario Railway Company.

Bill (No. 6), To incorporate the Middlesex and Elgin Inter-urban Railway Company

Bill (No. 62), Respecting the Town of Wiarton.

Bill (No. 57), To incorporate the Northern Power Company.

Bill (No. 164), To incorporate the Canada Central Railway Company.

Bill (No. 196), To confirm By-law No. 185 of the Village of Point Edward.

Bill (No. 180), To authorize the Trustees of the Holy Blossom to convey certain lands.

Bill (No. 9), To authorize the Royal Trust Company to do business in the Province of Ontario.

Bill (No. 116), To amend the Public Health Act.

Bill (No. 178), To amend the Manhood Suffrage Registration Act.

Bill (No. 206), Respecting a certain Drainage Debt of the Township of Sarnia.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 52), Respecting the Village of Alexandria, having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn, and that the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 166), To amend the Statute Law having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith again referred to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Farwell reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time at the next sittings of the House To-day

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 66), Respecting the Town of Rat Portage and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Farwell reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time at the next sittings of the House To day.

The following Bills were severally read the second time ;—

Bill (No. 209), Respecting the Village of New Hamburg.

Bill (No. 210), Respecting the Township of Berlin and the Ontario Sugar Company.

Bill (No. 190), To incorporate the Lambton Central Electric Railway Company.

Ordered, That the several Bills be referred to a Committee of the Whole House forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Farwell reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the several Bills with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bills be severally read the third time at the next sittings of the House To-day.

The following Bill was read the second time :—

Bill (No. 56), Respecting the Town of Fort William, 1902.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to a Committee of the Whole House forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Farwell reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again at the next sittings of the House To-day.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 126), To amend the Voters Lists Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Farwell reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time at the next sittings of the House To-day.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 119), To amend the Act respecting Councils of Conciliation and of Arbitration for settling Industrial Disputes, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Farwell reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time at the next sittings of the House To-day.

The House resolved itself into a Committee, to consider Bill (No. 142), Respecting the Street Railway Act and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Farwell reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time at the next sittings of the House To-day.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 83), To amend the Drainage Act and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Farwell reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time at the next sittings of the House To-day.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 177), The Ontario Companies Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Farwell reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time at the sittings of the House To day.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 89), To amend the Mechanics and Wage-Earners Lien Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Farwell reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time at the next sittings of the House To-day.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 171), To amend the Toll Roads Expropriation Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Farwell reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time at the next sittings of the House To-day.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 81), To provide for the appointment of a Board of Provincial Arbitrators for certain purposes having been read,

Mr. Kribs moved,

That the Bill be now read the second time.

And exception having been taken to the Bill, in that it involved, a charge upon the Revenue, and was therefore out of Order, and Mr. Speaker having been asked to rule upon the point said,

That there could be no doubt that certain sections of the Bill did make a direct charge upon the Revenue, and that it, was undoubtedly in contravention of the Rule which required such a charge to be recommended by His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, and such being the case, the Bill was certainly out of order, and could not be entertained by the House.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 204), To amend the Ontario Election Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Farwell reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time at the next sittings of the House To-day.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 213), The Wills Act, 1901, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Farwell reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time at the next sittings of the House To-day.

Mr. Gibson delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from the Lieutenant-Governor, signed by himself; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, and is as follows.—

O. MOWAT.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits further Supplementary Estimates of certain further sums required to complete the services of the Province, for the year ending 31st December, 1902, and recommends them to the Legislative Assembly.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

Toronto, 13th March, 1902.

(*Sessional Papers No. 2*)

Ordered, That the Message of the Lieutenant-Governor, together with the Estimates, accompanying the same, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

On motion of Mr. Harcourt, seconded by Mr. Dryden, it was

Ordered, That the full Sessional Indemnity be paid to the following Members, unavoidably absent on account of illness, or for other reasons, during a part of the Session, namely, Messieurs Pardo, Pense and Reid (Addington).

The House then adjourned.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Hill, the Petition of Thomas M. Morgan and others ; also, the Petition of John F. German and others, all of Toronto.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the County Council of the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry, praying certain amendments to The Assessment Act respecting the assessment of Telegraph, Telephone, Gas and Water and other Companies.

Of H. L. Matthews and others of Toronto, praying for the enactment of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

The following Bills were severally read the third time and passed :—

Bill (No. 128), To amend the Public Schools Act.

Bill (No. 59), Respecting the Township of Etobicoke.

Cill (No. 64), To incorporate the Huron, Bruce and Grey Electric Railway Company.

Bill (No. 74), To incorporate the Huron and Bruce Railway Company.

Bill (No. 94), Respecting the Imperial Statutes relating to property and Civil rights incorporated into the Statute Law of Ontario.

Bill (No. 201), To amend the Ontario Game Protection Act

Bill (No. 204), To amend the Ontario Election Act.

Bill (No. 209), Respecting the Village of New Hamburg.

Bill (No. 210), Respecting the Town of Berlin and the Ontario Sugar Company Limited.

Bill (No. 190), To incorporate the Lambton Central Electric Railway Company.

Bill (No. 126), To amend the Voters Lists Act.

Bill (No. 119), To amend the Act respecting Councils of Conciliation and Arbitration for settling Industrial Disputes.

Bill (No. 142), Respecting the Street Railway Act.

Bill (No. 83), To amend the Drainage Act.

Bill (No. 177), The Ontario Companies Act.

Bill (No. 89), To amend the Mechanics and Wage-Earners' Lien Act.

Bill No. (171), To amend the Toll Roads Expropriation Act.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 202), To amend the Act respecting the Barberry Shrub having been read.

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith again referred to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Farwell reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 66), Respecting the Town of Rat Portage, having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith again referred to a Committee of the Whole with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Farwell reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 23), Respecting the Town of Toronto Junction and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Farwell reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the third time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The House again resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 21), Respecting the City of Toronto and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Farwell reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 184), Respecting the University of Toronto and University College, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Farwell reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The following Bill was read the second time :—

Bill (No. 212), The Assessment Amendment Act, 1902.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to a Committee of the Whole House forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Farwell reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 213), The Wills Act, 1902 having been read.

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith again referred to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Farwell reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time and passed.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 207), To amend the High Schools Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Farwell reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-day.

The House again resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 37), Respecting the Town of Fort William, 1902, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Farwell reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to ask for leave to sit again,

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-day,

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 207), To amend the High School Act having been read,

Mr. Harcourt moved,

That the Bill be now read a third time.

Mr. Pense moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Lumsden,

That all the words of the Motion, after the word "That" be omitted, and the following substituted ; "the Bill be not now read the third time, but be forthwith recommit-
ted to a Committee of the Whole House with instructions to amend the same by striking out the words "80 per cent. of" in the seventh line of subsection 9 of section 2, of the Bill.

And the Amendment, having been put, was declared lost on a division.

The Motion for the third reading of the Bill, having been again put, was carried, and the Bill was read the third time and passed.

The House again resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 37), Respecting the Town of Fort William, 1902, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Graham reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the House to again resolve itself into the Committee of Supply having been read,

Mr. Gibson moved

That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair, and that the House do again resolve itself into the Committee.

Mr. Whitney moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Matheson,

That all the words of the Motion after the first word "That" be left out and the following substituted therefor, "this House denounces the acts of the persons who defaced, switched, tampered with and stole ballots which had been duly and lawfully cast by Electors in the recent elections in West Elgin and North Waterloo, and also denounces the destruction in the Vaults of the Parliament Buildings in Toronto, of the ballot papers and other documents relating to the West Elgin election, by which the prosecution and conviction of the guilty parties was rendered more difficult; And this House expresses its dissatisfaction and regret that not one of the malefactors connected with the above mentioned violations of the law has been brought to justice or punished for his offense, while one person connected with the West Elgin frauds has been appointed to a position of trust and emolument by the Government of the Province."

And the Amendment, having been put, was lost on the following Division:—

YEAS.

Messieurs :

Barr	Eilber	Kribs	Powell
Beatty (Leeds)	Fallis	Little	Pyne
Boyd	Fey	Lucas	Reid (Durham)
Brower	Fox	Marter	Robson
Carnegie	Hoyle	Matheson	Thompson
Carscallen	Jamieson	Monteith	Tucker
Colquhoun	Jessop	Morrison	Wardell
Crawford	Joynt	Macdiarmid	Whitney—35
Dempsey	Kidd	McLaughlin	

NAYS.

Messieurs :

Auld	Conmee	Hislop	McKee
Aylsworth	Davis	Holmes	Pardee
Barber	Dickenson	Latchford	Pense
Bleazard	Douglas	Lee	Pettypiece
Bowman	Dryden	Lays	Preston
Breithaupt	Farwell	Loughrin	Richardson
Bridgland	Garrow	Lumsden	Russell
Brown	Gibson	Malcolm	Smith
Burt	Graham	Munro	Stratton
Caldwell	Guibord	Mutrie	Taylor
Carpenter	Harcourt	McKay	Truax—46
Clarke	Hill		

PAIRS.

Ross	.....	Miscampbell.
Pattullo	.....	McDonald.
Pardo	.....	Reid (Addington.)
Beatty (Parry Sound)	.....	Allen,
Charlton	.....	Duff.
Gross	.....	Gallagher.

The Main Motion, having been then again put, was carried, and the House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That there be granted to His Majesty, for the services of 1902, the following sums :—

97. To defray the expenses of Civil Government	\$ 3,650.00
99. To defray the expenses of Education	5,500.00
100. To defray the expenses of Public Institutions Maintenance.....	500.00
101. To defray the expenses of Agriculture.....	18,350.00
102. To defray the expenses of Maintenance and Repairs	1,500 00
103. To defray the expenses of Public Buildings	36,949 12
104. To defray the expenses of Public Works.....	30,200 00
105. To defray the expenses of Colonization Roads	24,400.00
106. To defray the expenses of charges on Crown Lands	6,500 00
107. To defray the expenses of Miscellaneous	59,431.12
108. To defray the expenses of Administration of Justice.....	2,000.00
109. To defray the expenses of Public Works	1,000 00
110. To defray the expenses of Miscellaneous	750.00

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Graham reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received forthwith.

Mr. Charlton from the Committee of Supply, reported the following further Resolutions :—

88. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and twenty-eight thousand one hundred and seventy-five dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of charges on Crown Lands on account of outside service and surveys, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

89. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Forty-five thousand three hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Mining Development for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

94. *Resolved* That a sum not exceeding Two hundred and forty-four thousand three hundred and thirty-three dollars and twenty cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous Expenditure for the year ending 31st December, 1902

95. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifty thousand dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the Unforeseen and Unprovided expenses, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

96. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eighty thousand dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Legislation, Public Institutions Maintenance and salaries of the Officers of the Government and Civil Service for the month of January, 1903.

97. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand six hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Civil Government for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

98. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand four hundred and sixty-seven dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

99. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five thousand five hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Education, for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

100. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Institutions Maintenance for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

101. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eighteen thousand three hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Agriculture for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

102. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand five hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Maintenance and Repairs for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

103. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty-six thousand nine hundred and forty-nine dollars and twelve cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Buildings for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

104. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty thousand two hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

105. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-four thousand four hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Colonization Roads for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

106. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six thousand five hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Charges of Crown Lands for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

107. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifty-nine thousand four hundred and thirty-one dollars and twelve cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

108. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

109. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

110. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seven hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

The several Resolutions, having been again read, were concurred in.

And the House having continued to sit until twelve of the clock midnight.

FRIDAY, 14th March, 1902.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into further consideration the Resolutions reported from the Committee of Supply, and the consideration whereof had been postponed.

The Thirty fifth Resolution respecting the Ontario Reformatory for Boys, at Penetanguishene, having been again read.

Mr. Gibson moved,

That the Resolution be now concurred in.

Mr. Thompson moved, in Amendment, seconded by Mr. Duff,

That the Resolution be not now concurred in, but be forthwith recommitted to the Committee of Supply with instructions to reduce the item by \$600 being amount of table allowance for the Superintendent of Ontario Reformatory for Boys.

And the Amendment having been put, was lost on the following division :—

YEAS.

Messieurs :

Barr	Eilber	Kidd	McLaughlin
Beatty (Leeds)	Fallis	Kribs	Powell
Boyd	Foy	Little	Pyne
Brower	Fox	Lucas	Reid (Darham)
Oarnegie	Gallagher	Marter	Robson
Carscallen	Hoyle	Matheson	Thompson
Colquhoun	Jamieson	Monteith	Tucker
Crawford	Jessop	Morrison	Wardell
Dempsey	Joynt	McDonald	Whitney—36

ERRATA.

Vide page 259.—In the Division List, the name "McDonald" at foot of third column, should read "Macdiarmid," as McDonald is paired on page 260. The same error appears in all the lists of that night.

NAYS.

Messieurs :

Auld	Conmee	Hill	McKee
Aylsworth	Davis	Hislop	Pardee
Barber	Dickenson	Holmes	Pense
Bleazard	Douglas	Latchford	Pettypiece
Bowman	Dryden	Lee	Preston
Breithaupt.	Farwell	Leys	Richardson
Bridgland	Garrow	Loughrin	Russell
Brown	Gibson	Lumsden	Smith
Burt	Graham	Malcolm	Stratton
Caldwell	Gross	Munro	Taylor
Carpenter	Guibord	Matrie	Truax—47
Clarke	Harcourt	McKay	

PAIRS.

Ross	....	....	....	....	....	Miscampbell
Pattullo	....	....	....	....	....	McDonald
Pardo	....	....	....	....	....	Reid (Addington)
Beatty (Parry Sound)	....	....	....	....	....	Allen
Charlton	....	....	....	....	....	Duff

The Thirty-eighth Resolution respecting the Andrew Mercer Reformatory for Girls, having been again read,

Mr. Gibson moved,

That the Resolution be now concurred in.

Mr. Barr moved in Amendment, seconded by Mr. Hoyle,

That the Resolution be not now concurred in, but be forthwith recommitted to the Committee of Supply with instructions to reduce the item by \$1,000, being the salary of the Superintendent, and \$400 deduction from the salary of the Physician.

And the Amendment, having been put, was lost on the following division :—

YEAS.

Messieurs :

Barr	Eilber	Kidd	McLaughlin
Beatty (Leeds)	Fallis	Kribs	Powell
Boyd	Foy	Little	Pyne
Brower	Fox	Lucas	Reid (Durham)
Carnegie	Gallagher	Marter	Robson
Carscallen	Hoyle	Matheson	Thompson
Colquhoun	Jamieson	Monteith	Tucker
Crawford	Jessop	Morrison	Wardell
Dempsey	Joynt	McDonald	Whitney—36

NAYS.

Messieurs :

Auld	Connée	Hill	McKee
Aylsworth	Davis	Hislop	Pardee
Barber	Dickenson	Holmes	Pense
Bleazard	Douglas	Latchford	Pettypiece
Bowman	Dryden	Lee	Preston
Breithaupt	Farwell	Leys	Richardson
Bridgland	Garrow	Loughrin	Russell
Brown	Gibson	Lumsden	Smith
Burt	Graham	Malcolm	Stratton
Caldwell	Gross	Munro	Taylor
Carpenter	Guibord	Mutrie	Truax—47
Clarke	Harcourt	McKay	

PAIRS.

Ross	....	....	....	....	....	Miscampbell.
Pattullo....	....	....	....	....	....	McDonald.
Pardo	....	....	....	....	....	Reid (Addington.)
Beatty (Parry Sound)	....	....	....	....	....	Allen.
Charlton	....	....	....	....	....	Duff.

The Thirty-ninth Resolution, respecting the expenses of Immigration, having been again read, was concurred in.

The Sixty-eighth Resolution, respecting the expenses of Works at the Ontario Reformatory for Boys, at Penetanguishene, having been again read, was concurred in.

The Sixty-ninth Resolution, respecting the expenses of Works at the Reformatory for Females, at Toronto, having been again read, was concurred in.

The Eighty-fifth Resolution, respecting the expenses of Works at the Reformatory for Boys, Oxford, having been again read, was concurred in.

The House according to the Order, then again resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That there be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of this Province a sum not exceeding Four millions two hundred and seventy-six thousand and twenty-five dollars and fifty-six cents (\$4,276,025.56), to meet the Supply to that extent granted to His Majesty.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Graham reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received forthwith.

Mr. Graham, from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported a Resolu which was read as follows :—

Resolved, That there be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of this Province a sum not exceeding Four millions two hundred and seventy-six thousand and twenty-five dollars and fifty-six cents (\$4,276,025.56), to meet the Supply to that extent granted to His Majesty.

The Resolution, having been read a second time, was agreed to.

The following Bill was then introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 217), intituled, “An Act for granting to His Majesty certain sums of money to defray the expenses of Civil Government for the year one thousand nine hundred and two, and for other purposes therein mentioned.”—Mr. Harcourt.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The following Bill was read the second time :—

Bill (No. 214), Respecting Aid to certain Railways.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House, at the next Sitting of the House To-day.

The Order of the Day for resuming the Adjourned Debate on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 170), To amend the Act respecting the office of Sheriff, having been read, the Debate was resumed.

And after some time,

The Motion for the second reading, having been again put, was lost on the following division :—

YEAS.

Messieurs :

Barr	Eiber	Kidd	McLaughlin
Beatty (Leeds)	Fallis	Kribs	Powell
Boyd	Foy	Little	Pyne
Brower	Fox	Lucas	Reid (Durham)
Carnegie	Gallagher	Marter	Robson
Carscallen	Hoyle	Matheson	Thompson
Colquhoun	Jamieson	Monteith	Tucker
Crawford	Jessop	Morrison	Wardell
Dempsey	Joynt	McDonald	Whitney—36

NAYS.

Messieurs :

Auld	Connée	Hill	McKee
Aylsworth	Davis	Hislop	Pardee
Barber	Dickenson	Holmes	Pense
Bleazard	Douglas	Latchford	Pettypiece
Bowman	Dryden	Lee	Preston
Breithaupt	Farwell	Leys	Richardson
Bridgland	Garrow	Loughrin	Russell
Brown	Gibson	Lumsden	Smith
Burt	Graham	Malcolm	Stratton
Caldwell	Gross	Munro	Taylor
Carpenter	Guibord	Mutrie	Truax—47
Clarke	Harcourt	McKay	

PAIRS.

Ross	....	....	....	....	Miscampbell.
Pattullo	....	....	....	....	McDonald.
Pardo	....	....	....	....	Reid (Addington.)
Beatty (Parry Sound)	....	....	....	....	Allen.
Charlton	....	....	....	....	Duff.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 215) To provide for the incorporation of Towns in Territorial Districts, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Graham reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time and passed.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 187), To amend the Real Property Limitation Act, having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 143), To amend the County Councils Act having been read,

Mr. Tucker moved,

That the Bill be now read the second time.

And the Motion, having been put, was lost on the following Division :—

YEAS.

Messieurs :

Barr	Eilber	Kidd	McLaughlin
Beatty (Leeds)	Fallis	Kribs	Powell
Boyd	Foy	Little	Pyne
Brower	Fox	Lucas	Reid (Durham)
Carnegie	Gallagher	Marter	Robson
Carscallen	Hoyle	Matheson	Thompson
Colquhoun	Jamieson	Monteith	Tucker
Crawford	Jessop	Morrison	Wardell
Dempsey	Joynt	McDonald	Whitney—36

NAYS.

Messieurs :

Auld	Conmee	Hill	McKee
Aylsworth	Davis	Hislop	Pardee
Barber	Dickenson	Holmes	Pense
Bleazard	Douglas	Latchford	Pettypiece
Bowman	Dryden	Lee	Preston
Breithaupt	Farwell	Leys	Richardson
Bridgland	Garrow	Loughrin	Russell
Brown	Gibson	Lumsden	Smith
Burt	Graham	Malcolm	Stratton
Caldwell	Gross	Munro	Taylor
Carpenter	Guibord	Mutrie	Truax—47
Clarke	Harcourt	McKay	

PAIRS.

Ross	....	....	....	....	....	Miscampbell.
Pattullo	....	....	....	....	....	McDonald.
Pardo	....	....	....	....	....	Reid (Addington.)
Beatty	....	....	....	....	....	Allen.
Charlton	....	....	....	....	....	Duff.

And so it was declared in the negative.

The House then adjourned at 12.15 a. m.

Friday, 14th March, 1902.

PRAYERS.

11 A. M.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of Thomas M. Morgan and others ; also, of John F. German and others ; also, of Sheridan Avenue B. T. P. U ; also, of Youmans W. C. T. U. ; also, of Frank Creber and others, all of Toronto ; also, of Wingham Council No. 114 R. T. of T. ; also, of St. George Council No. 53 R. T. of T., severally praying for the enactment of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 159), Respecting the sale of Intoxicating Liquor in the Province of Ontario, having been read.

Mr. Gibson moved,

That the Bill be now read the third time.

Mr. Crawford moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Lucas,

That all the words of the Motion, after the word "That" be omitted, and the following substituted: "the Bill be not now read the third time but be forthwith recommitted to a Committee of the Whole House with instructions to amend the same by striking out all the sections of the Bill from two to one hundred and four inclusive.

And the Amendment, having been put, was lost on the following division:

YEAS.

Messieurs:

Barr	Eilber	Kidd	McLaughlin
Beatty (Leeds)	Fallis	Little	Powell
Boyd	Foy	Lucas	Pyne
Brower	Fox	Marter	Reid (Durham)
Carnegie	Gallagher	Matheson	Robson
Carscallen	Hoyle	Monteith	Thompson
Colquhoun	Jamieson	Morrison	Tucker
Crawford	Jessop	Macdiarmid	Whitney—34
Duff	Joynt		

NAYS

Messieurs:

Auld	Conmee	Hill	McKee
Aylsworth	Davis	Hislop	Pardee
Barber	Dickenson	Holmes	Pattullo
Bleazard	Dryden	Litchford	Pense
Bowman	Farwell	Lee	Pettypiece
Breithaupt	Garrow	Loughrin	Preston
Bridgland	Gibson	Lumsden	Richardson
Brown	Graham	Malcolm	Russell
Burt	Gross	Munro	Stratton
Caldwell	Guibord	Mutrie	Taylor
Carpenter	Harcourt	McKay	Truax—45
Clarke			

PAIRS.

Ross	....	....	....	....	....	Miscampbell.
Leys	....	....	....	....	....	McDonald.
Pardo	....	....	....	....	....	Reid (Addington).
Beatty (Parry Sound)	....	....	....	....	....	Allen.
Smith	....	....	....	....	....	Kribs.
Douglas	....	....	....	....	....	Dampsey.
Charlton	....	....	....	....	....	Wardell.

The Motion for the third reading having been then again put,

Mr. Marter moved in Amendment, seconded by Mr. Tucker,

That all the words of the Motion, after the word "That" be omitted, and the following substituted: "the Bill be not now read the third time, but be forthwith recommitted to a Committee of the Whole House with instructions to amend subsection 2 of section 2, by striking out the words in said subsection after the word "Province" in the second line, and inserting in lieu thereof the words "on the date fixed for the holding of the Municipal Elections in the Province, in 1903."

And the Amendment, having been put, was lost on the following division:—

YEAS.

Messieurs :

Barr	Crawford	Marter	Tucker—4
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NAYS.

Messieurs :

Allen	Conmee	Jessop	McKee
Auld	Dickenson	Joynt	McLaughlin
Aylesworth	Dryden	Kidd	Pardee
Barber	Eilber	Kribs	Pattullo
Beatty (Leeds)	Farwell	Latchford	Pense
Blezard	Foy	Lee	Pettypiece
Bowman	Fox	Leys	Powell
Breithaupt	Gallagher	Little	Preston
Bridgland	Garrow	Loughrin	Pyne
Brower	Gibson	Lucas	Reid (Durham)
Brown	Grabam	Lumsden	Richardson
Burt	Gross	Malcolm	Robson
Caldwell	Guibord	Matheson	Russell
Carnegie	Harcourt	Miscampbell	Stratton
Carpenter	Hill	Monteith	Taylor
Carscallen	Hislop	Morrison	Thompson
Charlton	Holmes	Mutrie	Truax
Clarke	Hoyle	Macdiarmid	Wardell
Colquhoun	Jamieson	McKay	Whitney—75

PAIRS.

None.

The Motion for the third reading having been then again put,

Mr. Marter moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Dempsey,

That all the words of the Motion, after the word "That" be omitted, and the following substituted: "the Bill be not now read the third time, but be forthwith recommitted to a Committee of the Whole House, with instructions to amend the same by striking out the following words in the 104th section thereof "and that the number "of Electors voting for the said question in the affirmative exceeds one half of the "number of Electors to vote at the said General Election," in the third, fourth and fifth lines.

And the Amendment, having been put, was lost on the following division :—

YEAS.

Messieurs :

Barr	Crawford	Marter	Tucker—4
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NAYS.

Messieurs :

Allen	Davis	Jamieson	McKay
Auld	Dickenson	Jessop	McKee
Ay'sworth	Dryden	Joynt	McLaughlin
Barber	Eilber	Kidd	Pardee
Blezard	Fallis	Kribs	Pattullo
Bowman	Farwell	Latchford	Pense
Breithaupt	Foy	Lee	Pettypiece
Bridgland	Fox	Leys	Powell
Brower	Gallagher	Little	Preston
Brown	Garrow	Loughrin	Pyne
Burt	Gibson	Lucas	Reid (Durham)
Caldwell	Graham	Lumsden	Richardson
Carnegie	Gross	Malcolm	Robson
Carpenter	Guibord	Matheson	Russell
Carscallen	Harcourt	Miscampbell	Stratton
Charlton	Hill	Monteith	Taylor
Clarke	Hislop	Morrison	Thompson
Colquhoun	Holmes	Mutrie	Wardell
Conmee	Hoyle	Macdiarmid	Whitney—76

PAIRS.

None.

And the Motion for the third reading having been then again put,—

Mr. Marter moved in Amendment, seconded by Mr. Dempsey,

That all the words of the Motion, after the word "That" be omitted, and the following substituted : "the Bill be not now read a third time, but be forthwith recommended to a Committee of the Whole House with instructions to amend Section 104 of the said Act by striking out the words, "A majority," in the first and second lines, and inserting in lieu thereof the words 60%, and by striking out the words, "And that the number of electors voting for the said question in the affirmative exceed one-half of the electors who voted at the said General Elections," in the third, fourth, and fifth lines.

And the Amendments, having been put, was lost on the following division :—

YEAS.

Messieurs :

Crawford	Marter—2
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NAYS.

Messieurs :

Allen	Davis	Jessop	Pardee
Auld	Dickenson	Joynt	Pattullo
Aylsworth	Dryden	Kidd	Pense
Barber	Duff	Kribs	Pettypiece
Barr	Eilber	Latchford	Powell
Beatty (Leeds)	Fallis	Lee	Preston
Blezard	Farwell	Leys	Pyne
Bowman	Foy	Little	Reid (Durham)
Breithaupt	Fox	Loughrin	Richardson
Bridgland	Gallagher	Lucas	Robson
Brower	Garrow	Lumsden	Russell
Brown	Gibson	Malcolm	Stratton
Burt	Graham	Matheson	Taylor
Caldwell	Gross	Miscampbell	Thompson
Carnegie	Guibord	Monteith	Truax
Carpenter	Harcourt	Morrison	Tucker
Oarscallen	Hill	Mutrie	Wardell
Charlton	Hislop	Macdiarmid	Whitney—81
Clarke	Holmes	McKay	
Colquhoun	Hoyle	McKee	
Conmee	Jamieson	McLaughlin	

PAIRS.

None.

The Motion for the third reading having been then read.

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith again referred to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Charlton reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Mr. Gibson then moved,

That the Bill be now read a third time.

And the Motion, having been put, was carried on the following division :—

YEAS.

Messieurs :

Auld	Clarke	Hill	McKee
Aylsworth	Conmee	Hislop	Pardee
Barber	Davis	Holmes	Pattullo
Blezard	Dickenson	Latchford	Pense
Bowman	Dryden	Lee	Pettypiece
Breithaupt	Farwell	Leys	Preston
Bridgland	Garrow	Loughrin	Richardson
Brown	Gibson	Lumsden	Russell
Burt	Graham	Malcolm	Stratton
Caldwell	Gross	Matheson	Taylor
Carpenter	Guibord	Mutrie	Truax—47.
Charlton	Harcourt	McKay	

NAYS.

Messieurs :

Allen	Eilber	Kidd	Powell
Barr	Fallis	Little	Pyne
Beatty (Leeds)	Foy	Lucas	Reid (Durham)
Brower	Fox	Matheson	Robson
Carnegie	Gallagher	Miscampbell	Thompson
Carscallen	Hoyle	Monteith	Tucker
Colquhoun	Jamieson	Morrison	Whitney—34.
Crawford	Jessop	Macdiarmid	
Duff	Joynt	McLaughlin	

PAIRS.

Ross	....	....	....	....	Wardell.
Beatty (Parry Sound)	....	....	....	....	McDonald.
Pardoe....	....	....	....	....	Reid (Addington.)
Munro	....	....	....	....	Boyd.
Douglas....	....	....	....	....	Dempsey.
Smith	....	....	....	....	Kribs.

And the Bill was then read the third time and passed.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 211), The Municipal Amendment Act, 1902, having been read.

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith again referred to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Charlton reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 214), Respecting Aid to certain Railways, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Charlton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill, with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Mr. Latchford then moved,

That the Bill be now read the third time.

And the Motion, having been put, was carried on the following division :—

YEAS.

Messieurs :

Allen	Charlton	Harcourt	McKee
Auld	Clarke	Hill	Pardee
Aylsworth	Conmee	Hislop	Pattullo
Barber	Davis	Holmes	Pense
Blezard	Dickenson	Latchford	Pettypiece
Bowman	Douglas	Lee	Preston
Breithaupt	Dryden	Leys	Richardson
Bridgland	Farwell	Loughrin	Russell
Brown	Fox	Malcolm	Smith
Burt	Garrow	Marter	Stratton
Caldwell	Gibson	Mutrie	Taylor
Carnegie	Graham	McKay	Truax—50
Carpenter	Gross		

NAYS.

Messieurs :

Barr	Duff	Joynt	McLaughlin
Beatty (Leeds)	Eilber	Kidd	Pyne
Boyd	Fallis	Little	Reid (Durham)
Brower	Foy	Matheson	Robson
Carscallen	Gallagher	Miscampbell	Thompson
Colquhoun	Hoyle	Monteith	Tucker
Crawford	Jamieson	Morrison	Whitney—31
Dempsey	Jessop	Macdiarmid	

PAIRS.

Ross	....	....	....	....	Wardell.
Pardo	....	....	....	....	Reid (Addington).
Beatty (Parry Sound)		....	....	....	McDonald.
Munro	....	....	....	....	Kribs.
Lumsden	....	....	....	....	Powell.
Guibord	....	....	....	....	Lucas.

And the Bill was then read the third time and passed.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 128), Respecting Electric Railways.

And the Committee having continued to sit until twelve of the clock, midnight.

Saturday, 15th March, 1902.

The House continued to sit in Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Charlton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, that the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Mr. Gibson then moved,

That the Bill be now read the third time.

And that the motion having been put was carried on a division, and the Bill was read the third time and passed.

On motion of Mr Gibson, seconded by Mr. Dryden.

Ordered, That when this House adjourns, it do stand adjourned until eleven of the clock in the forenoon of to-day.

The House then adjourned at 2.10 a.m.

Saturday, 15th March, 1902.

PRAYERS.

11 O'CLOCK A.M.

The following Petition was brought up and laid upon the Table :—

Mr. Bowman, The Petition of the Township Council of Lindsay and St. Edmunds.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 166), To amend the Statute Law, having been read.

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith again referred to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Charlton reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time at a later stage To-day.

The following Bill was read the third time and passed :—

Bill (No. 37), Respecting the Town of Fort William, 1902.

Mr. Davis moved, seconded by Mr. Dryden,

That this House doth ratify a certain agreement, a copy of which was laid upon the Table on Wednesday, the fifth day of March instant, made by and between His Majesty, represented by the Commissioner of Crown Lands for the Province of Ontario, of the first part, and the Montreal Pulp and Paper Company, Limited, of the second part, and dated the third day of March, A.D. 1902.

And the Motion, having been put, was carried on the following division :—

YEAS.

Messieurs :

Auld	Davis	Lee	Pense
Barber	Dickenson	Leys	Pettypiece
Breithaupt	Dryden	Loughrin	Preston
Brown	Farwell	Marier	Richardson
Burt	Garrow	Mutrie	Russell
Caldwell	Gibson	McKay	Smith
Carpenter	Graham	McKee	Stratton
Charlton	Harcourt	Pardee	Taylor
Clarke	Hill	Pattullo	Truax—38
Conmee	Latchford		

NAYS.

Messieurs :

Allen	Colquhoun	Little	Robson
Barr	Crawford	Lucas	Thompson
Beatty (Leeds)	Duff	Matheson	Tucker
Boyd	Eilber	Miscampbell	Wardell
Brower	Foy	Morrison	Whitney—26
Carlegie	Fox	Macdiarmid	
Carscallen	Kribs	Pyne	

PAIRS.

Ross	....	....	....	....	Hoyle.
Pardo	....	....	....	....	Reid (Addington).
Beatty (Parry Sound)	....	....	....	....	McDonald.
Aylesworth	....	....	....	....	Reid (Durham).
Douglass	....	....	....	....	Dempsey.
Bleazard	....	....	....	....	Fallis.
Hislop	....	....	....	....	Monteith.
Munro	....	....	....	....	Powell.
Guibord	....	....	....	....	McLaughlin.
Malcolm	....	....	....	....	Joynt.
Gross	....	....	....	....	Jessop.
Holmes	....	....	....	....	Gallagher.
Bridgland	....	....	....	....	Kidd.
Bowman	....	....	....	....	Jamieson.

And it was,

Resolved. That this House doth ratify a certain agreement, a copy of which was laid upon the Table on Wednesday, the fifth day of March instant, made by and between His Majesty, represented by the Commissioner of Crown Lands for the Province of Ontario, of the first part, and the Montreal Pulp and Paper Company, Limited, of the second part, and dated the third day of March, A.D. 1902.

The House then resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 186), To amend the Act respecting the Representation of the People in the Legislative Assembly, and after sometime spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Charlton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments

Ordered, That the amendments be taken into consideration forthwith

The amendments, having been read the second time were agreed to.

Mr. Gibson then moved,

That the Bill be now read the third time.

Mr. Whitney moved in amendment,

Seconded by Mr. Matheson,

That all the words of the Motion, after the word " That " be omitted, and the following substituted : " the Bill be not now read the third time, but be forthwith recommitted to a Committee of the Whole House with instructions to amend the same by striking out section two and inserting a clause, dividing the Constituency of West Algoma, by a boundary line—drawn North and South and Co terminous with the territorial boundaries of the Districts of Rainy River and Thunder Bay, to form two Constituencies to be known by these names.

And the Amendment, havining been put, was lost on a division.

The Motion for the third reading having been then again put, was carried, and the Bill was read the third time and passed.

The following Bill was read the third time and passed :—

Bill (No. 166), To amend the Statute Law.

Mr. Carnegie asked the following Question :

Has any member of the Government or any official thereof given any information to any person or persons as to the amount of revenue derived from Woods or Forests and Crown Lands in the County of Haliburton during the past ten years.

To which the Commissioner of Crown Lands replied as follows :—

Am not aware that information of the character referred to, was given by a member of the Government or official thereof.

Mr. Powell asked the following Question :—

How much was expended by the Province in exhibiting at (a) Paris, in 1900, (b) Glasgow, in 1901, and (c) Buffalo, in 1901. Is it the intention of the Government to have a Provincial Exhibit at Wolverhampton or Cork. If so, how much is to be devoted to this purpose.

And the Minister of Agriculture replied as follows :—

The Province expended at the Paris Exhibition in 1899, \$1,358.19; in 1900, \$3,445.38. Total, \$4,803.57.

At the Buffalo Exhibition :—

1900	\$ 413 38
1901	21,696 84
Total.....	\$ 22,110 22

No exhibit was made at Glasgow.

It is not the intention of the Government to exhibit at Wolverhampton or Cork.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 197), To amend the Ontario Game Protection Act, having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 199), To amend the Railway Act having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 200), To amend the Electric Railway Act, having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 203), The Municipal Fire Insurance Act, having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 205), To amend the Industrial Schools Act having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 188), To amend the Registry Act having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 193), Respecting Prison-made Goods having been read,

Mr. Carscallen moved, That the Bill be now read the second time.

And the motion, having been put, was lost on a Division.

And so it was declared in the Negative.

On motion of Mr. Gibson, seconded by Mr. Dryden,

Ordered, That when this House adjourns, it do stand adjourned until three of the clock in the afternoon of Monday the seventeenth instant.

Mr. Stratton presented to the House, by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor:—

Copy of an Order-in-Council commuting fees of His Honour A. B. Klein, Junior Judge of the County Court of Bruce. (*Sessional Papers No. 76.*)

The House then adjourned at 4.55 P.M.

Monday, 17th March, 1902.

PRAYERS

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

His Honour the Honourable John Douglas Armour, Chief Justice of Ontario, Administrator of the Government of Ontario, proceeded in State to the Chamber of the Legislative Assembly and took his seat on the Throne.

The Clerk Assistant then read the Titles of the Bills that had passed, severally as follows:—

2 Edw. VII.
Cap.*

4. An Act to amend the Act respecting the Representation of the People in the Legislative Assembly.
5. An Act to amend The Voters' Lists Act.
6. An Act to amend The Manhood Suffrage Registration Act.
7. An Act to amend The Ontario Election Act.
8. An Act respecting a certain drainage Debt of the Township of Sarnia.
9. An Act to authorize the construction of the Temiskaming and Northern Ontario Railway.
10. The Agricultural and Arts Amendment Act.
11. An Act to approve and confirm an Agreement between the Commissioner for the Queen Victoria Niagara Falls Park and The Canadian Niagara Power Company.
12. An Act to amend The Statute Law.
13. An Act respecting The Imperial Statutes relating to property and civil rights incorporated into the Statute Law of Ontario.

*The following Acts were assented to on 13th March, 1902:—

2 Edw. VII.
Cap.

1. An Act to provide for the Revision of the Statute Law.
2. An Act respecting Mortmain and the disposition of land for Charitable Uses.

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14. An Act to amend The Jurors' Act.
15. An Act respecting Expert Witnesses.
16. An Act to divide the District of Rainy River for the Registration of Titles and Deeds.
17. An Act to further amend The Devolution of Estates Act.
18. An Act respecting Wills of Personal Estates.
19. An Act to amend The Land Titles Act.
20. An Act to provide for the Removal of Obstructions in Rivers and Streams in certain cases.
21. An Act to amend the Mechanics' and Wage-Earners Lien Act.
22. An Act to amend the Act respecting Councils of Conciliation and of Arbitration for settling Industrial Disputes.
23. An Act to amend The Marriage Act.
24. An Act to amend The Ontario Companies Act.
25. An Act respecting aid to certain Railways.
26. An Act to amend The Street Railway Act.
27. An Act respecting Electric Railways.
28. An Act to amend The Joint Stock Companies Winding-up Act.
29. The Municipal Amendment Act, 1902.
30. An Act to provide for the Incorporation of Towns in Territorial Districts.
31. The Assessment Amendment Act, 1902.
32. An Act to amend The Municipal Drainage Act.
33. An Act respecting the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors in the Province of Ontario.
34. An Act to amend The Public Health Act.
35. An Act to amend The Toll Roads Expropriation Act, 1901.
36. An Act to amend The Ontario Factories Act.
37. An Act to amend The San José Scale Act.
38. An Act to amend the Act Respecting the Barberry Shrub.
39. An Act to amend The Ontario Game Protection Act.
40. An Act to amend The Public Schools Act.
41. An Act to amend The Separate Schools Act.
42. An Act to amend The High Schools Act.
43. An Act respecting The University of Toronto and University College.
44. An Act respecting the Town of Berlin and The Ontario Sugar Company, Limited.
45. An Act respecting the Town of Collingwood and the Collingwood Ship Building Company, Limited.
46. An Act confirming certain By laws of the Township of Cornwall.
47. An Act respecting the Town of Dresden.
48. An Act respecting the Township of Etobicoke.
49. An Act respecting the Town of Fort William.
50. An Act respecting the Town of Goderich.
51. An Act respecting the City of London.
52. An Act respecting the Village of New Hamburg.

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53. An Act respecting the Debenture Debt of the Town of Orillia.
54. An Act respecting the City of Ottawa.
55. An Act respecting the establishment of The Carnegie Library in the City of Ottawa.
56. An Act to confirm By-law No. 348 of the Village of Paisley.
57. An Act respecting the Township of Pelee.
58. An Act respecting the Town of Perth.
59. An Act respecting the Town of Peterborough.
60. An Act respecting the Village of Point Edward.
61. An Act to confirm By-law No. 185 of the Village of Point Edward.
62. An Act respecting the Town of Rat Portage.
63. An Act respecting certain By-laws of the Town of Sarnia.
64. An Act to change the Town of Tilsonburg to the Town of Tillsonburg.
65. An Act respecting the City of Toronto.
66. An Act respecting the Town of Toronto Junction.
67. An Act respecting the Town of Wiarton.
68. An Act respecting the County of York.
69. An Act to incorporate The Canada Central Railway Company.
70. An Act to incorporate The Canada Western Railway Company.
71. An Act to incorporate The Durham Switch Line Railway Company.
72. An Act respecting The Essex and Kent Radial Railway Company.
73. An Act respecting The Fort Erie Ferry Railway Company.
74. An Act respecting the Great Lakes Railway Company.
75. An Act to amend the Act incorporating The Haliburton, Whitney and Mattawa Railway Company.
76. An Act respecting The Hamilton, Ancaster and Brantford Railway Company.
77. An Act to incorporate The Huron and Bruce Railway Company.
78. An Act to incorporate The Huron, Bruce and Grey Electric Railway Company.
79. An Act to legalize certain By-Laws in aid to The Lake Erie and Detroit River Railway Company.
80. An Act to incorporate The Lake Superior, Long Lake and Albany River Railway Company.
81. An Act to incorporate The Lambton Central Electric Railway Company.
82. An Act respecting the London Street Railway.
83. An Act to incorporate The Middlesex and Elgin Inter-urban Railway Company.
84. An Act to incorporate The Morrisburg Electric Railway Company.
85. An Act respecting The Nepigon Railway Company.
86. An Act to incorporate The New Ontario Railway Company.
87. An Act to incorporate The Ontario Electric Railway Company.
88. An Act respecting The Ontario, Hudson's Bay and Western Railways Company.
89. An Act respecting The Pacific and Atlantic Railway Company.
90. An Act respecting The Pembroke Southern Railway Company.
91. An Act to incorporate The Peterborough Radial Railway Company.
92. An Act to incorporate The Petrolia Rapid Railway Company.

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93. An Act respecting The Port Dalhousie, St. Catharines and Thorold Electric Street Railway Company, Limited.
94. An Act respecting The Sandwich, Windsor and Amherstburg Railway.
95. An Act respecting The Sarnia Street Railway Company.
96. An Act to incorporate The South Western Traction Company.
97. An Act respecting The Windsor, Essex and Lake Shore Rapid Railway Company.
98. An Act to amend the Act incorporating The Woodstock, Thames Valley and Ingersoll Electric Railway Company.
99. An Act Respecting The Algoma Steel Company, Limited.
100. An Act respecting The Algoma Tube Works, Limited.
101. An Act to incorporate The Huronian Company, Limited.
102. An Act to incorporate The Northern Power Company.
103. An Act to authorize The Royal Trust Company to do business in the Province of Ontario.
104. An Act respecting The Sao Paulo Tramway, Light and Power Co., Limited.
105. An Act to incorporate The Toronto Canoe Club.
106. An Act to amend the Act of Incorporation of The Toronto Stock Exchange.
107. An Act to Incorporate The Brantford Young Women's Christian Association.
108. An Act to amend the Act to incorporate Grace Hospital (Homeopathic).
109. An Act respecting The Presbyterian Ladies' College, Ottawa.
110. An Act respecting the Synod of the Diocese of Niagara.
111. An Act respecting the First Coloured Calvinistic Church in Toronto.
112. An Act to authorize the Trustees of "The Holy Blossom" to convey certain lands.
113. An Act to confer certain powers on the Trustees of the Will of the late John Bacon.
114. An Act to enable Louis Gagné to Practise Medicine and Surgery in certain Townships.
115. An Act to enable the Trustees of the Jane Laycock Orphanage to sell certain lands in the County of Brant.
116. An Act respecting the Estate of William John Moore, deceased.

To these bills the Royal Assent was announced by the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly in the following words :—

"In His Majesty's name, His Honour the Administrator doth assent to these Bills."

Mr. Speaker then said :

May it please Your Honour :

We, His Majesty's most dutiful and faithful subjects, the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario, in Session assembled, approach your Honour at the close of our labours with sentiments of unfeigned devotion and loyalty to His Majesty's person and Government, and humbly beg to present for your Honour's acceptance a Bill intituled "An Act for granting to His Majesty certain sums of money to defray the expenses of Civil Government for the year 1902, and for other purposes therein mentioned."

To this Bill the Royal Assent was announced by the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, in the following words:

"His Honour the Administrator doth thank His Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, accept their benevolence and assent to this Bill in His Majesty's name."

His Honour was then pleased to deliver the following speech :—

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly :

I observe with great pleasure that the Legislative Assembly now about to be dissolved has emulated its predecessors in endeavoring to devise and carry into effect a policy designed to encourage the development of the newer portions of Ontario. It has afforded me, therefore, peculiar satisfaction to be able in His Majesty's name to assent to a Bill for the construction of the Temiscamingue and Northern Ontario Railway under the direct auspices of the Government. The exploration of these districts has fully warranted the expectation that the construction of such railway will add materially to our population, and at the same time furnish a substantial outlet for the manufacturers of the older part of the Province. I trust that the line will be open for traffic at an early day, and that the facilities for transportation which it is intended to afford will be available on an equitable basis to all the railway systems of the Dominion.

I have assented with pleasure to the Bill respecting the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors. Experience has shown that legislation with regard to the Liquor Traffic, in order to be effective, must be fully sustained by public opinion ; and I am pleased to notice that a measure in regard to which there is necessarily so much difference of opinion, and which is so far-reaching in its influence upon the social customs of the people, as well as upon property and civil rights, has been referred to the electors of the Province for their approval. Should public opinion be favourable in the present case, it will be my duty to render such assistance as the Crown possesses to enforce the legislation which you have stamped with your approval.

I cordially approve of the measure for increasing the representation of that portion of the Province not yet organized for Municipal purposes. With the increase of population the wants of the people necessarily increase. It was therefore proper in the interests of the whole Province that ample facilities should be at the disposal of the Legislature for obtaining the fullest information with regard to the great areas of undeveloped territory still vested in the Crown.

I am glad to find among the measures submitted for the Royal Assent a Bill respecting the Revision and Consolidation of the Imperial Statutes from time to time incorporated in the Statute Law of the Province. It is pleasing to observe the thoroughness with which the Commissioners appointed for this purpose have done their work. I am confident that the consolidation which they have effected will be greatly to the advantage of the Legal Profession and of the public, as it renders more intelligible many Statutes which had become antiquated and obscure, and at the same time removes from the Statute Book laws which had long ago become obsolete.

It is gratifying to notice that the Legislature is fully alive to the increased transportation facilities required by the agricultural population of the Province, as is shown by the numerous charters granted for the construction of electric railways connecting the

rural districts with the market towns. I have therefore, assented with more than ordinary pleasure to the Bills dealing with this method of transportation, and to the further measure investing a committee of the Executive Council with jurisdiction over all electric railway systems subject to the legislature of the Province

I have also assented with pleasure to the Acts dealing with Agriculture, the Act respecting the improvement of Public Highways and the Act to amend the Toll Roads Expropriation Act, which renders more workable the important measure on that subject passed last year.

I am confident that the measures providing for the amendment of the Statute Law, the Act granting aid to Certain Railways, the Act affecting wills of Personal Property, the Act reducing the number of expert witnesses in Civil Cases, and the Act for the removal of obstructions in rivers and streams will be found to be in the public interest. Your interest in higher education is shown by the Bills dealing with the University of Toronto, University College and High Schools.

I thank you for the generous appropriations you have made for the Public Service, and take pleasure in assuring you that they will be carefully expended.

In taking leave of this, the 9th Legislative Assembly of Ontario, I desire to commend your zeal in endeavoring to promote the prosperity and well-being of the whole people. To no legislature have there been confided more important interests than to the one now about to be relieved from its labours, and I am confident that the measures you have proposed, and the appropriations you have made for the public service will be received as an assurance of your efforts to discharge faithfully the high duties committed to your care. I venture to hope that your successors will prove to be no less anxious to maintain the honour and dignity of this Assembly, and that they will, in a spirit of the highest patriotism and with equal care and fidelity, apply themselves, as I believe you have done, to increase the prosperity and promote the moral well-being of all classes of His Majesty's subjects.

The Provincial Secretary then said :

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly :

It is His Honour's will and pleasure that this Legislative Assembly be prorogued ; and this Legislative Assembly is accordingly prorogued.

APPENDICES.

No. 1.—Report of the Committee on Public Accounts.

No. 2.—Report of the Committee on Agriculture and Colonization.

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REPORT

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COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

1902.

To the Honourable the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario :

The Standing Committee on Public Accounts beg leave to present the following as their third and final

REPORT.

Your Committee have had produced before them the following accounts, vouchers and statements in connection with the Public Accounts of the Province for the years 1900 and 1901, which they have carefully examined and considered :—

All the accounts of expenditures in connection with Colonization Roads for the year 1901 and certain specified accounts for the year 1900. A statement also prepared for your Committee showing in what Provincial Electoral Divisions said expenditures took place ;

All the Accounts of expenditures in connection with the Pan-American Exposition and Farmers' Institutes for the year 1901 ;

All accounts for maintenance, and for renewals, furniture and furnishings at the Boys' Reformatory at Penetanguishene ;

All accounts of expenditures for Incidentals, page 173 of the Public Accounts, and of certain persons for travelling expenses for the year 1901 ;

A statement of transfers of receipts from the Crown Lands Department to the Treasury Department for the months of March, April and May, 1899, was also prepared for the Committee.

Your Committee have made a very full investigation into the payment of a grant of \$4,000 to the Dickson Lumber Company for the construction of works on Stony Creek, and have examined :—

A Report of the Engineer of the Public Works Department shewing the extent and nature of said works and the stage which had been reached in their construction ;

A declaration of the President of the Company in regard to the cost of construction ;

The Order-in-Council authorizing said payment ;

The cheque books of the Treasury Department shewing payment to the Dickson Lumber Company ;

The books, accounts and cheque books of the Dickson Lumber Company shewing receipts and disbursements of the company during the year 1901.

The following witnesses connected with the Dickson Lumber Company were sworn and examined, viz. : Miss C. Dickson, President ; Mr. Richard Hall, President when grant was obtained ; Mr. James Eakins, works foreman ; Mr. F. A. Walden, bookkeeper ; Mr. Wm. Davidson, Mr. J. C. Shook, Mr. John Dingman and Mr. G. Linton.

Mr. C. McGill, Toronto, Manager of the Ontario Bank, and Hon. J. R. Stratton, Provincial Secretary, were also sworn and examined in regard to this matter.

Mr. C. H. Sproule, Provincial Auditor, explained the system employed in keeping the Provincial Accounts. Mr. C. C. James, Deputy Minister of Agriculture, gave an explanation in regard to a certain account for printing for the Dairymen's Association, and Mr. Henry Smith, Superintendent of Colonization Roads, certified that the statement laid before the Committee with respect to expenditures on the Colonization Roads was correct.

Your Committee have held nine meetings during the present session. They submit herewith the minutes of their proceedings and the evidence given as taken by stenographers.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Committee Room,
March 10, 1902.

(Signed)

W. A. CHARLTON,
Chairman.

MINUTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

SELECT STANDING COMMITTEE

ON

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS,

WITH EVIDENCE AND STATEMENTS.

FIFTH SESSION, NINTH LEGISLATURE

1902.

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE ROOM,

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,

TORONTO, Thursday, February 13, 1902.

The Select Standing Committee, to whom was referred the examination of the Public Accounts of the Province for the year 1901, and composed of the following members:—Messieurs Auld, Bowman, Boyd, Caldwell, Carnegie, Carpenter, Charlton, Clarke, Conmee, Crawford, Davis, Dickenson, Duff, Eilber, Farwell, Gross, Garrow, Hoyle, Kidd, Latchford, Loughrin, Matheson, Miscampbell, Pardee, Preston, Reid (Addington), Richardson, Ross, Stratton, Tucker, Wardell, Whitney, met this day at 10 a.m. for organization and business.

Present:

Messieurs Charlton, Carpenter, Eilber, Garrow, Matheson, Miscampbell, Richardson, Stratton.—8.

On motion duly made, Mr. W. A. Charlton was unanimously appointed permanent Chairman of Committee.

On motion of Mr. Matheson, seconded by Mr. Miscampbell, *Ordered*: That a statement be laid before this Committee, shewing to what Provincial Electoral Divisions the Colonization Roads Expenditure—\$138,801.38, pages 124 to 145—was expended, giving name of road and amount expended, in each electoral division.

On motion of Mr. Matheson, seconded by Mr. Miscampbell, *Ordered*: That this Committee Report requesting an Order of the House for the production of all papers, cheques, and receipts in reference to item—The Dickson Lumber Co., on page 124 of the Public Accounts of 1900—before this Committee, with power to send for and examine such witnesses as may be required.

On motion of Mr. Miscampbell, seconded by Mr. Matheson, *Ordered*: That Mr. Sproule, Provincial Auditor, be present at meeting of Committee on Tuesday next to explain system of charging of accounts from one Department to another.

On motion of Mr. Matheson, seconded by Mr. Eilber, *Ordered*: That this Committee Report recommending an Order of the House that the Colonization Roads expenditure for 1900, for which returns were not made in detail, on pages 126 to 148 of the Public Accounts, 1900, be laid before this Committee, viz:—

J. Springer,	page 127.....	\$ 150 00
E. E. Sproule,	" 127.....	90 00
J. Ritter,	" 128.....	230 00
G. Brooks,	" 129.....	180 00
M. Trivers,	" 133.....	480 00
G. A. Tucker,	" 133.....	180 00
J. Eakins,	" 133.....	360 00
G. B. Munn,	" 133.....	300 00
P. VanLuven,	" 133.....	200 00
J. Finnerty,	" 135.....	45 00
R. Muldoon,	" 136.....	1,755 00
T. Bottomley,	" 136.....	280 00
J. Holly,	" 141.....	280 00

On motion of Mr. Matheson, seconded by Mr. Eilber, *Ordered*: That the accounts for Colonization Roads Expenditure of \$138,801.38, pages 124 to 145, be laid before this Committee.

On motion of Mr. Eilber, seconded by Mr. Matheson, *Ordered*: That the accounts and vouchers in reference to the Pan-American Exposition, amounting to \$21,696.54, on pages 169 to 172, be laid before this Committee.

On motion of Mr. Eilber, seconded by Mr. Matheson, *Ordered*: That the accounts and vouchers in reference to The Farmers' Institutes, on pages 88 and 89, amounting to \$13,056.26, be laid before this Committee.

On motion of Mr. Eilber, seconded by Mr. Miscampbell, *Ordered*: That the accounts and vouchers for renewals, furniture and furnishings, etc., at the Reformatory for Boys, Penetanguishene, on page 115, amounting to \$2,121.52, be laid before this Committee.

On motion of Mr. Eilber, seconded by Mr. Miscampbell, *Ordered*: That the accounts and vouchers in reference to Incidentals, on page 173, amounting to \$29,959.50, be laid before this Committee.

Committee then adjourned until Tuesday next, at 10.30 a.m.

COMMITTEE ROOM,

Tuesday, February 18, 1902.

Committee met pursuant to adjournment,

Present :

Mr. Charlton, Chairman.

Messieurs Carnegie Carpenter, Eilber, Garrow, Cross, Kidd, Matheson, Preston, Stratton—10.

The following accounts were laid before the Committee:—

All the accounts in reference to Farmers' Institutes, the Pan-American, Exposition and the accounts for furniture and furnishings at the Reformatory for boys, Penetanguishene.

Mr. Sproule was present as requested, but as Mr. Miscampbell was not ready to proceed with his examination, agreed to return to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Matheson, seconded by Mr. Eilber, *Ordered*: That the Cheque Books of the Public Works Department for 1900 containing cheques for the payment of grant to The Dickson Lumber Company \$4000.00 be sent for and produced before this Committee, now.

These were sent for and Mr. Sproule, Provincial Auditor, returned and laid cheque books before the Committee. He also produced for the Committee all papers referring to payment of \$4000.00 to the Dickson Lumber Company, and was shortly examined with reference to the matters.

On motion of Mr. Eilber, seconded by Carnegie *Ordered*: That the following accounts for travelling expenses be laid before the Committee:

T. W. Gibson, self with the com. C. L. \$116.53 page—6. Hon. F. R. Latchford, \$250.00 page—7 A. W. Campbell, \$721.15 and \$380.45 page 7.

Committee then adjourned until to-morrow 11 a.m.

COMMITTEE ROOM,

Wednesday, Feb. 19, 1902.

Committee met pursuant to adjournment at 11 a.m.

Present :

Mr. Charlton, Chairman.

Messieurs Bowman, Boyd, Carnegie, Carpenter, Clarke, Eilber, Matheson, Miscampbell, Richardson, Stratton.—11

The following accounts were laid on the table:

The accounts of sundry persons for travelling expenses, ordered yesterday.

The accounts of all expenditures on Colonization Roads.

On motion of Mr. Carnegie, seconded by Mr. Boyd, *Ordered*: That the accounts in connection with the Reformatory for boys at Penetanguishene, page 77 and 78, be laid before the Committee.

On motion of Mr. Miscampbell, seconded by Mr. Matheson, *Ordered*: That the chairman Report to the House Requesting an Order of the House that all statements of transfers of receipts from the Crown Lands Department to the Treasury Department, for the months of March, April and May, 1899, be brought down and referred to the Public Accounts Committee, with power to said Committee to send for persons required to give evidence.

Committee then adjourned until to-morrow (Thursday) at 11 a.m.

COMMITTEE ROOM,

Thursday Feb. 20, 1902.

Committee met pursuant to adjournment at 11 a.m.

Present:

Mr. Charlton, Chairman.

Messieurs Bowman, Carnegie, Garrow, Kidd, Matheson, Preston Stratton, Tucker—9.

The accounts for maintenance at the Boys Reformatory, Penetanguishene, for 1901, for Incidentals, page 173, 1901 and specified accounts for expenditure on Colonization Roads, 1900 were laid on the table.

Committee adjourned until Tuesday next the 25th, instant.

COMMITTEE ROOM,

Tuesday, February 22, 1902

Committee met pursuant to adjournment at 11 a.m.

Present:

Mr. Charlton, Chairman.

Messieurs Caldwell, Carnegie, Carpenter, Dickenson, Eilber, Garrow, Latchford, Matheson, Preston, Richardson, Tucker—12.

A statement of transfers from the Crown Lands Department to the Treasury Department, for the months of March, April and May, 1899, was laid before the Committee.

On motion of Mr. Matheson, seconded by Mr. Eilber, *Ordered*: That Miss Charlotte Dickson, President of the Dickson Lumber Company, Richard Hall, James Eakens, F. A. Walden, John Dingman and William Davidson, all of Peterborough, be summoned to appear before this Committee on Thursday next, at 10 a.m., and that they be required to bring with them all books and accounts, cheques and cheque books, showing payments made by or on behalf of the Dickson Lumber Company during the months of January, February and March, 1901, and that a special messenger be sent to summon James Eakens, at Lumber Camp, to appear on Thursday, or if not then, on Tuesday of next week, with instructions to said James Eakens to bring with him his notes of expenditure.

Mr. Sproule appeared in answer to request, and explained several accounts under consideration.

Mr. Preston, M.P.P. was sworn and made a statement in regard to an account for printing for the Western Dairymen's Association, in connection with the Pan-American Exposition, and paid by the Treasury Department.

Committee adjourned until to morrow at 11 a.m.

COMMITTEE ROOM,

Wednesday, February 26, 1902.

Committee met pursuant to adjournment at 11 a.m.

Present:

Mr. Charlton, Chairman.

Messieurs Auld, Bowman, Eilber, Farwell, Matheson—6.

Committee did not proceed to business in the absence of quorum.

By consent of members of committee present, it was agreed to summon Mr. J. C. Shook to appear before the committee to-morrow.
Committee adjourned until to-morrow at 10.30 a.m.

COMMITTEE ROOM,

Thursday, February 27, 1902.

Committee met pursuant to adjournment at 10.30 a.m.

Present:

Mr. Charlton, Chairman.

Messieurs Auld, Bowman, Caldwell, Carnegie, Carpenter, Dickenson, Eilber, Kidd, Latchford, Loughrin, Matheson, Miscampbell, Richardson, Stratton, Wardell—16.

The following witnesses were sworn and examined in regard to the Dickson Lumber Co. investigation:—

Miss C. Dickson, President.

Mr. F. A. Walden, Book-keeper.

Mr. James C. Shook, Manager.

Mr. Richard Hall, Former President.

Mr. William Davidson.

Mr. C. McGill, Manager, Ontario Bank.

Committee adjourned until Tuesday next the 4th day of March.

COMMITTEE ROOM,

Tuesday, March 4, 1902.

Committee met at 10.30 a.m. pursuant to adjournment.

Present;

Mr. Charlton, Chairman,

Messieurs Auld, Bowman, Caldwell, Carnegie, Eilber, Kidd, Latchford, Loughrin, Miscampbell, Preston, Stratton—12.

The investigation into matters relating to the Dickson Company was continued, and the following witnesses were sworn and examined:—

Mr. James Eakins, Foreman in the woods, Mr. George Linton, Clerk in the woods, Mr. F. A. Walden, Bookkeeper, recalled Mr. John Dingman, former employee of the Co.

Committee adjourned until to-morrow at 11 a.m.

COMMITTEE ROOM,

Wednesday, March 5, 1902.

Committee met, pursuant to adjournment, at 11 a.m.

Present:

Mr. Charlton, Chairman,

Messieurs Auld, Bowman, Boyd, Caldwell, Carnegie, Carpenter, Duff, Garrow, Latchford, Loughrin, Matheson, Miscampbell, Richardson, Stratton—15.

The investigation into matters pertaining to the Dickson Company was still further continued, and the following witnesses were sworn and examined:—

Mr. Richard Hall, recalled.

Mr. C. Mc Gill, recalled.

Mr. John Dingman, recalled.

Mr. F. A. Walden, recalled.

Superintendent of Colonization Roads, Mr. Henry Smith, appeared before the Committee with a statement shewing the expenditure on Colonization Roads in the several Electoral Divisions of the Province. This statement was examined by the members of Committee present and certain changes pointed out with respect to the classification of Roads which formed the dividing line between Electoral Divisions which would be more in accordance with the actual facts. Mr. Smith agreed to revise statement and appear before the Committee to-morrow.

Committee then adjourned until to-morrow at 11 a.m.

COMMITTEE ROOM,

Thursday, March 6, 1902.

Committee met pursuant to adjournment at 11 a.m.

Present :

Mr. Charlton, Chairman,

Messieurs Auld, Boyd, Caldwell, Carpenter, Clarke, Dickenson, Garrow, Latchford, Loughrin, Matheson, Miscampbell, Richardson, Stratton—14.

Mr. Smith appeared before Committee and stated that a revised statement of expenditure on Colonizations Roads was being prepared. He certified to said statement as being approximately correct. Committee agreed that it should be inserted with the evidence as taken by stenographers.

Mr. MATHESON said, I think, Mr. Chairman, that is all that we can go into this session.

The CHAIRMAN.— There are other matters, and the papers have been before the Committee for some time for examination.

Mr. MATHESON.— After consultation said, there are other matters which we would have liked to go into but there is not time at this stage of the session.

Committee agreed that the chairman should Report to the House and then adjourned *sine die*.

EVIDENCE RE DICKSON LUMBER COMPANY.

TORONTO, February 18th, 1902.

Mr. C. H. SPROULE, Provincial Auditor, called :

Examined by Mr. MATHESON :

Q. Mr. Sproule, in 1900 the supplementary Estimates contain an item of \$4,000 for the Dickson Lumber Co.? A. In 1900.

Q. Yes? A. Not in the Estimates.

Q. Not in the Estimates, but in the Supplementaries, I find that \$4000 was paid for improvements on Stony Creek; do you know any thing about it? A. It will be necessary for me to get the voucher.

Q. I want the cheque itself; can you get that? A. Yes.

Q. I want all the cheques for December, 1900. A. The one cheque would be all you require, would it not?

Q. Well, I would like to see them all? A. All right.

Mr. Sproule, having returned with the cheque in question, it was pointed out.

Mr. MATHESON: I find that on the 29th of November, Mr. Richard Hall makes an affidavit that he is President of the Dickson Co., Limited, and this cheque is endorsed by C. Dickson.

Mr. STRATTON: What is the date of the cheque?

Mr. MATHESON: 31st December, 1900.

Mr. STRATTON: There was a change of presidents between the two dates.

THE CHAIRMAN: Do you wish to see the memorandum or stub to which the cheque was attached? It is No. 3365.

Q. Is this cheque book used for all purposes?

Mr. STRATTON to Mr. Sproule: I was saying to Col. Matheson, before you came in, that my recollection of the procedure was that, upon an appropriation of this kind, the Inspector makes a report to the Minister, and the Minister to Council and an order-in-council is made out, the Clerk of the Council sends a warrant to the Treasury Department, who would issue the cheque, and send it to the Auditor, who would pay the amount due.

A. Generally that is the case.

Q. What might be the order otherwise? A. The only point in which it might be slightly inaccurate is that when the warrant is issued it is backed up in the Treasury Department, and sent to the auditors, where we see that it is all right, the appropriation satisfactory etc., and then return it to the Treasury Department.

Q. I see that this is signed by Mr. Ross; is that a lithographic signature?
A. I believe so.

Q. The Assistant Treasurer signs it too? A. That is generally done when the personal signature of the Treasurer is not attached.

Q. Will you tell me what that cheque is, Mr. Sproule? A. It is a cheque of the Treasury Department, dated December 31st, 1900, payable to the order of the Dickson Lumber Co., at Peterboro, C. Dickson, President.

THE CHAIRMAN: And a cheque is also certified by yourself as Auditor. A. Certainly.

By Mr. MATHESON:—

Q. Have you any personal recollection of this cheque? A. I have no special knowledge of the cheque; as soon as I find that the cheque is payable and everything is regular in connection with the account, it passes out of my hands, and I have nothing else to do with it.

Q. Was there any other cheque issued in connection with this at any time?
A. Not that I am aware of; there is no reason to suppose that.

Q. You know of no reason to think so? A. None.

By Mr. STRATTON:—

Q. You can look it up. A. Yes, I will.

By Mr. MATHESON:—

Q. And you are sure that no other cheque was issued in connection with this? A. I can look it up and allow you to see the vouchers. There is nothing else here in this book regarding this cheque; I can verify to that.

Q. You could look through the books between 17th of December and 31st and see? A. There are of course a dozen blank books, but I will have the matter looked into, and I don't think there would be an extra check in this case.

COLONIZATION ROADS.

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE,

February 19th, 1902.

Mr. C. H. SPROULE, recalled.

Examined by MR. MATHESON.—

Q. Mr. Sproule, as to Colonization Roads, what is the rule as to expenditure not made within the year, money voted for 1900, for instance, and not spent within that year? Have you anything to do with seeing that it is returned? A. Oh yes, we keep a record of all outstanding accountable warrants; that covers what you speak of. We keep records of all accountable warrants and see that returns are in.

MR. MISCAMPBELL: Covering the amounts? A. Yes, every cent is accounted for.

By MR. MATHESON.—

Q. Do you see that it is spent within the year? A. No, not necessarily; if an accountable warrant is issued, say, in November or December, for \$500.00 and the work is going on, it does not follow that the whole of it will be spent in December; it may run into January or occasionally a little further, but it is not taken out intentionally with a view of carrying it to any extent beyond the first of the following year at all; if the work is under way, they spend it in the ordinary regular way if it takes a week or a month, or perhaps more.

Q. You understand the rule of Parliament that the money voted for 1900 must be spent in 1900? A. Well, it is rather stretching it, I think, to say that an accountable warrant issued in November or December should not be. Strictly speaking, I suppose it is right; the refund should be made at the end of the year, and the work stopped, but that would probably not be advisable.

Q. Supposing a cheque was sent out for Colonization Road expenditures in August of 1900, you would expect that to be spent within the year or returned? A. Oh yes.

By MR. CARNEGIE.—

Q. Would you expect the same with regard to October? A. The rule is we hurry them up to get returns in to the Department whenever there is anything outstanding.

Q. Supposing money was sent out to an overseer to be spent in October, how long would you permit him—when would it be necessary for him to return the Pay Sheet, or indicate that something had actually been done by the end of the year? A. We insist, as far as possible, in having everything in; if works are under construction, it is not always possible to get them in.

Q. Supposing the work had not been done, you have nothing to show you what would be your course? A. I do not know of such a case. It is possible such a case might slip through without coming to our knowledge until the returns came in afterwards.

Q. Do you think it would be possible that nearly a year would elapse without any return? A. Not unless, through oversight on our part, in failing to insist on the returns being in in proper time. An exceptional case of that sort might happen, but it is not at all likely. I can get the facts bearing in that direction and give them to you.

By MR. MATHESON.—

Q. What officer of the Colonization Roads branch would be responsible for seeing that the returns are in? A. I usually communicate with the Superintendent, Mr. Smith.

Q. We have a case here where the money was sent out, as I understand, in October, 1900, returns accountable. Nothing was spent that year and the money

was expended in the fall of 1901. Is that a proper thing to do, do you think? A. No, it is not right; certainly not. Would it not be better to let me have the papers and get the facts and see whether I have called their attention to it or not?

Q. They are not brought down, the moneys are marked in the 1900 service? A. In a case of that sort, you can get them by asking for the returns.

Q. You will find it on page 128 of 1900 Public Accounts. Some of these men can be controlled to just do things in a businesslike way? A. Yes, I know we had no right to spend money then.

Q. Can you get the papers in that case? A. Yes.

By MR. MISCAMPBELL.—Q. I wanted to ask you some questions in regard to the accounts. You are the Provincial Auditor? A. Yes.

Q. What form do they keep the books of the Department in, Double entry; I mean aside from the Treasurer's books? A. In some cases. If you want evidence in regard to the style of book-keeping and all that, you had better just let me look into the thing. I do not examine the other books?

Q. You audit the books of the different departments? A. Yes, in a general way, as to the results.

Q. The mere fact of your auditing the books you would be able to tell if they are kept by double entry or not? A. Yes. It depends; we have a system of checking.

Q. I would rather you would answer the question. A. I would rather you would let me have time to look into this.

Q. I do not wish to ask, I do not wish to embarrass you. I have nothing of that nature in mind in asking you this question. I thought that you being the Auditor and checking these accounts, year after year, would naturally know whether the books of the different Departments, for instance the Provincial Secretary's Department, and other Departments, if they were kept by double entry or not, or ordinary single entry books. A. They are very simple, especially the Provincial Secretary's books.

Q. No, I want that question answered first. A. I cannot remember. I send one of my assistants.

Q. Don't run away with the idea that I want to embarrass you. In your position as Auditor you are to some extent responsible for the correctness of these books? A. Oh, yes.

Q. Do you take a trial balance off the Departmental books? A. We examine the books in some cases monthly, and prove their correctness. We do not care about their individual trial balances.

Q. Do you take a trial balance off each month? A. No, a trial balance is technical. We satisfy ourselves.

Q. What do you mean by technical? A. As a matter of bookkeeping. It may not be necessary for us to go into it at all. Take the Provincial Secretary's office: we check their books, and find that the receipts for a Department have been properly handled. We examine the records and books, etc., and their cash register.

Q. You check all their accounts and vouchers? A. We cannot examine them individually.

Q. Not in detail. A. No, we note the results and satisfy ourselves that everything is right.

Q. For instance, we will say that in Mr. Stratton's Department there is an entry in the ledger of \$1000 cash. How does that get to the Treasury Department. A. It is registered as cash in the Provincial Secretary's Department, and periodically the total amount is transferred to the Treasurer, in a few days or a week.

Q. The \$1000 is just an assumed sum; there would be several items entered and at the end of a certain time it is passed to the Treasurer's books? A. Yes.

Q. You have a corresponding account in the Treasurer's books, where the debit of one would be the credit of the other, have you? A. I do not exactly follow that.

Q. How will the Provincial Treasurer credit what the Provincial Secretary sends up? A. He will credit it to the Provincial Secretary's Department.

Q. In the Provincial Treasurer's Department they give credit to the Provincials Secretary's Department? A. Yes.

Q. And the Provincial Secretary's Department debit the Treasury? A. Yes.

Q. Is that kept as a separate account; what is taken from the one Department to the other? A. Oh, yes. The result is brought out in this way. I could show you that what you ask is literally done in the simplest form in the world. Here is the Provincial Secretary's register of cash; periodically certain amounts entered in the Provincial Secretary's register is handed to the Provincial Treasurer's Department. The credit of the Provincial Secretary's Department in the Treasurer's books of course corresponds.

Q. Is the Provincial Secretary's account a separate account. A. Certainly.

Q. So that if you wanted to check one account with the other you would turn up and see the totals and then agree? A. Certainly, we prove the correctness.

Q. How is that done, the transfer of that account? A. By checking in favor of the Provincial Treasurer, or if cash is received—of course it is against the rules generally to receive cash in any Department but it is received occasionally—as a rule the checks received by the Provincial Secretary's Department are handed over or the cash, as it may be. The Provincial Secretary does not keep a bank account; they hand their receipts to the Treasurer periodically.

Q. They are entered in the Provincial Secretary's books. A. Yes. I may explain one further point. In the checking of these accounts we have a system of official receipts in addition to the entries in the Provincial Secretary's cash register. When they hand over a certain amount of money, or checks, they have regular receipts which we have prepared uniform for all the Departments; they get a receipt for the cash in the Treasury Department, showing that that amount has been received. We have duplicates of all these formal receipts and check these with each Department.

Q. Supposing now, in place of the cash being paid into the Provincial Secretary's Department, that it goes direct to the Treasury. How do you get that back again to enter into the Provincial Secretary's books? A. They have their own way of arriving at it.

Q. They have some uniform way, haven't they; you must have some uniform system of transferring one account to the Treasury from the different Departments? A. The uniform system is just what we have gone over.

Q. How do you get it back, supposing the payment has been made direct to the Treasury; it should be a sort of reverse? A. In checking the total, comparing the total of receipts from the Departments with the total receipts credited to the Provincial Secretary in the Treasurer's books, we would see any difference and that would be traced, and then the Provincial Secretary's books would be rectified.

Q. Does not the Treasurer at the end of the month or week transmit a statement to the Provincial Secretary? A. It is not necessary; we see that they are brought into harmony.

Q. You think it is not necessary for the Treasurer to send a statement back? A. I would not say that it is not necessary; it is not done.

Q. Take the Crown Lands Department, where dues are being paid in for timber that is being cut; supposing Mr. Charlton took out 10,000,000 of logs and has \$10,000 dues to pay. Does the Crown Lands Department receive that \$10,000? A. Yes.

Q. It goes to the Crown Lands books? A. Yes.

Q. Supposing, in place of the cash being handled, there are cases of its going direct to the Treasurer instead of to the Crown Lands Department? A. Yes.

Q. In the transfer of the amount, where probably there were five items or, say, a hundred items in the Crown Lands books, how is that sent to the Treasury Department to be charged? A. Exactly in the same way as in the case of the Provincial Secretary or any other Department.

Q. But where there has been cash sent to the Treasurer which the Crown Lands should credit for, how does the Treasurer send a statement back to the Crown Lands? A. That comes in the system of auditing.

Q. There is no statement sent back? A. "No statement sent back"—that leaves it in hardly a fair shape; the inference might be.—

Q. I simply want to understand the system? A. I was explaining to you the lack of system that would strike you; I want to explain to you how we meet that in another way. I do not wish to suggest anything out of the run of your questions.

By Mr. STRATTON:

Q. The cheques that are usually sent to the Crown Lands Department, are they made payable to the Commissioner of Crown Lands, or the Treasurer? A. We have no control over that.

Q. Some both ways? A. Yes, principally the rule is to have everything payable to the Treasurer of the Province. That is the rule, but you cannot control a man when he is making out a cheque; he may make it payable to me.

Q. The money from the Crown Lands Department is handed to the Treasurer periodically? A. Yes, and formal receipts taken, and we have a copy of the receipts filed, and in checking their books any differences that arise are traced and found.. Mr. Miscampbell suggests that some deposit has been made to the Treasurer instead of the Department.

By Mr. MISCAMPBELL:

Q. Here is the trouble: say, John Jones has an account in the Crown Lands ledger, that is the debit which he owes of, say, \$5,000. In place of sending that cash through the Crown Lands Department a cheque is remitted direct to the Treasurer. He has paid his account, there is a balance of \$5,000 standing. Now, there may be a dozen accounts or items which will go direct to the Treasurer. Now, I want to know what system you have of crediting that to the Treasurer? A. It is difficult to make it all clear without having the papers here. I should say—

Q. They do not send a statement from the Treasury Department? A. No, but we check the Crown Lands books and any difference that arise must be followed to its source, and so these items will be found out.

Q. You might bring some of these items here and let us see how it is done?

The CHAIRMAN:

Q. Do you know of an instance where a person has sent a cheque direct to the Treasurer in payment of his account in the Crown Lands?

Mr. MISCAMPBELL: No.

Witness: It is very seldom, very exceptional in connection with the Crown Lands accounts.

By Mr. MISCAMPBELL:

Q. What amount has passed through the Crown Lands book last year of cash? A. \$1,634,733.

Q. You say there are very few cases where the cheque goes direct to the Treasury Department; it is nearly always to the Crown Lands Department? A. Yes; quite exceptional.

Q. From the Crown Lands Department to the Treasurer they have no statement of the accounts to be charged which have passed from the Crown Lands Department? A. slip—

Q. Can you tell, supposing you were asked the different items that passed from the Crown Lands books and were charged in the Treasurer's books for the month of June, 1901? A. We can trace anything of that sort; we have receipts covering all these deposits, with their dates; I can show you the whole of them for any Department.

By Mr. MATHESON:

Q. What is that statement, Mr. Sproule? (Handing witness document). A. That is a voucher presented by the Commissioner of Public Works in connection with his travelling expenses for the last year.

Q. Would you read the account please? A. "Memo. of travelling expenses of Hon. F. R. Latchford for the year 1900, \$250.00."

Q. That is a lump sum—no details given? A. No details.

Q. Is that the manner in which Ministers' travelling expenses are usually given? A. Yes.

Q. You don't require details?

The CHAIRMAN: There is no authority for requiring them to give details.

By Mr. MATHESON:

Q. Would you read that Order-in-Council? (Handing witness another document). A. "The Committee of Council advise that the sum of \$1,750.00 be placed at the disposal of the Hon. the Provincial Treasurer as travelling expenses on his proposed visit to Great Britain—\$1,750.00."

Q. What date is that? A. 7th June, 1901. Mr. Ross subsequently wrote to Mr. Anderson asking for a further remittance: "Kindly send by return British mail letter of credit thirty pounds."

Q. That was sent? A. Yes.

Q. Then there was a memo. of refund? A. Yes, \$48.66.

Q. Just read the items? A. First, \$1,750.00; then the £30—\$146.83; total, \$1,896.83, of which there was refunded \$48.66, making a net expenditure of \$1,848.17.

Q. There were no details given at all? A. No details.

Q. Did Mr. Ross ask to have the thirty pounds charged to salary or travelling expenses? A. There was no further evidence in the matter; of course it is to be presumed that it is additional allowance for expenses. If he wished money on salary account, he would have stated so.

Q. But no details beyond what you have read? A. No details, no returns. I might mention, Col. Matheson, that this is quite exceptional. Details are furnished for all other advances outside the advances to Ministers for travelling expenses, or for the Speaker of the House.

Mr. MISCAMPBELL: It is not customary to make them in detail? A. No.

THE DICKSON LUMBER COMPANY.

Toronto, February 25, 1902.

Mr. C. H. SPROULE recalled:

Examined by Mr. MATHESON:

Q. In connection with these papers in regard to payments to the Dickson Lumber Co., what is this item in the Public Accounts of 1900 on page 124? A. The Dickson Lumber Co. towards improvements on water powers etc., on Stoney Creek, \$4,000.

Q. When was the order-in-council passed for the payment of the money? A. On Dec. 17, 1900.

Q. When was the report of the Engineer of the Public Works Department on which the order-in-council was made, passed? On March 29th, 1900. The report is as follows:

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, ONTARIO,
Toronto, March 29th, 1900.

HON F. R. LATCHFORD,
Commissioner of Public Works, Ontario.

SIR,—In accordance with your instructions, I proceeded to the Townships of Cavendish and Anstruther, in the County of Peterborough, and made an examination of the works which are being constructed on Stony Creek by the Dickson Lumber Co. and beg to report thereon as follows:

I find that the company are constructing six dams and slides, operations, I understand, having been commenced about the month of September last.

Dam No. 1, located on lot 28 in the VIIIth concession of Cavendish, is 361 feet in length, and is to be provided with a slide about 50 feet in length.

Dam No. 2, located on lot 28, in the IXth concession of the same township, is 221 feet in length and is to be provided with a slide 1,700 feet in length, about 1,000 feet of which is at present constructed and a considerable portion of the material for the remainder on the ground.

Dam No. 3, located on lot 29, in the Xth concession, is 192 feet in length, with a slide of 91 feet in length and a cribwork apron 20 feet in length below, all of which structure is about completed.

Dam No. 4, located at what is known as "The Forks," on lot 29, in the Xth concession, at about the boundary between Cavendish and Anstruther, is 177 feet in length, and is to have about 60 feet of slide and an apron built 20 feet in length.

Dam No. 5, on the east branch of the Creek, on lot No. 1, in the XIth concession of Anstruther is 124 feet in length, with a slide 126 feet in length.

Dam No. 6, on lot No. 2, and about on the line between the 10th and 11th concessions of the same townships, is 223 feet in length, with a slide 100 feet in length.

The works are being built in a strong and substantial manner, and although none of them are yet fully completed, the whole are well advanced, and will, I have every reason to believe, be fit for service in the coming spring.

As I estimate, the cost of carrying out the improvements will be about \$13,000, and as I understand there is a large amount of timber still in the locality, they will prove a great benefit to the lumbermen and settlers by enabling material to be taken out and favorably disposed of, which only for their construction it would be impossible to float down the streams to market at a profit, and which, consequently, would be left to decay in the woods.

I have the honor to remain, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

ROBT. MCCALLUM,
Engineer Public Works.

Q. And there was a subsequent report of the Engineer? A. Yes.

Q. What date? A. December 13, 1900.

Q. What is the effect of it? Is it that the payment be made at once?

A. This is the Engineer's supplementary report which I have before me.

Q. Then there was a declaration of Richard Hall? A. I am not familiar with these papers.

Q. Then what is this paper? A. This is a declaration by the president of the Dickson Lumber Co., a statutory declaration by Richard Hall, as president of the Dickson Lumber Co., dated 29th November, 1900; the statement is as to the expenditure by the company on the work.

Q. How much does he say was expended? A. He says that the Dickson Co. actually and truly expended in improvements, wages, etc., for the season 1899-1900, \$8,169.30.

Q. Attached to the declaration is a schedule referred to in the declaration?
A. Yes.

Q. A schedule of expenditure? A. Yes, amounting to \$8,169.30.

Q. Made up of cost of timber and wages? A. And blasting.

Q. What does the schedule say? A. The schedule is as follows:

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Schedule referred to in declaration of Richard Hall, *re*. Stony Creek improvements.

Dam No. 1.	Wages, etc.....	\$ 859 75	
	26,129 ft. of timber.....	52 24	
			911 99
Dam No. 2.	Wages, etc.....	2,825 47	
	And long slide 110,087 ft. timber.....	220 16	
			3045 63
Dam No. 3.	Wages, etc.....	560 86	
	17,044 ft. timber.....	34 08	
			594 94
Dam No. 4.	Wages, etc.....	662 72	
	14,936 ft. timber.....	29 87	
			692 59
Dam No. 5.	Wages, etc.....	454 21	
	9,734 ft. timber.....	19 46	
			473 67
Dam No. 6.	Wages, etc.....	966 81	
	34,005 ft. timber.....	68 00	
			1,034 81
			\$6,753 63
Creek.	Blasting and clearing.....		1,415 67
			\$8,169 30

THE CHAIRMAN to MR. LATCHFORD.—

These papers belong to your Department and bear your name. Do you desire to examine them or say anything about them?

MR. LATCHFORD—No.

By MR. MATHESON.—

Q. Can you speak from memory as to the cheque on the Treasury Department issued 31st December, 1900? A. I cannot speak definitely. I would like to get the cheque.

MR. SPROULE, having returned with the cheque, again examined by MR. MATHESON.—

Q. You produce a cheque given to this Dickson Lumber Co? A. Yes.

Q. What is the date? A. 31st December, 1900.

Q. What is the amount? A. I might explain that all the cheques dated 31st December, 1900, are not necessarily issued on that date.

Q. Yes, I understand that they are dated earlier so as to come within the year? A. Yes, this cheque is made out to the Dickson Lumber Co.; it is for \$4,000, and was paid by the bank so that there can be no question on that point?

Q. Who is it endorsed by? A. The Dickson Co., of Peterborough; C. Dickson, president.

Q. What date is it stamped as being paid by the bank? A. January 23rd, 1901.

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MR. MATHESON.—

That is all on that point. Will you read this account; in what connection is it made out? A. I do not know.

Q. Will you read it? A. Yes, it seems to be something in connection with the Pan-American Exposition.

Q. Would you read the whole of the account; part of that account is struck out? A. Shall I read the whole, including that struck out?

Q. Yes? A. This is the account of T. H. Preston, office of the "Daily and Weekly Expositor," Brantford, bearing date June 8th, 1901

Q. Will you read the account. A. Yes.

The account is as follows:—

June 8, 1901.	To 2,000 letter circulars.....	\$ 8 50
	2,000 envelopes.....	3 50
	2,000 private post cards.....	4 00
June 22	2,000 meeting slips.....	1 50
	800 shipping cards.....	2 50
	475 circulars.....	2 50
July 27	150 letter circulars.....	2 50
	100 note circulars.....	1 25
Aug. 10	2,000 8-inch envelopes.....	4 50
	200 letter circulars.....	2 50
	To amount forward.....	10 75
Aug. 26	150 statement of claim bills.....	2 50
	1,100 address tickets.....	4 00
	500 letter heads.....	2 50
Aug. 30	printing names on flags.....	1 00
	printing and pasting slips on flags.....	2 00
Sept. 27	500 scores of butter and cheese.....	3 50
	150 letter circulars.....	2 50
	200 statement claims.....	2 50

Q. What would the total amount be if nothing was struck out? A. It would be \$53.75; originally I presume that is correct; we pay no attention to items struck out.

Q. How much is struck out? A. \$22.50.

Q. Leaving a balance of? A. Leaving a balance of \$31.25.

Q. Look at page 171 of the Public Accounts last year? A. For this item?

Q. Yes, you will find on the 17th line from the bottom "T. H. Preston, \$53.75? A. Yes.

Q. That is what the whole amount would be if nothing was struck out? A. Just so; I presume the other part was paid at another time.

Q. Is there any of that account for advertising or subscriptions or is it all for jobwork? A. I do not find any items for advertising or subscriptions.

Q. Nothing for advertising or subscriptions, all for printing and supplies? A. Yes.

Q. Can you get the cheques given for that? A. Yes.

Q. Can you get them now? A. Right away?

Q. Yes? A. I will inquire as to that and as to the other accounts in order to get the cheques for the whole amount.

Q. Get this particular cheque anyway.

MR. SPROULE, on returning to the room with the cheques, said: I find that there is an error; \$31.35 seems to be the actual amount paid to Mr. Preston in

connection with this account ; the clerks in the office by some extraordinary oversight have apparently put down \$22.50 with this \$31.35 with which it has no connection.

Q. So that the Public Accounts are not correct in that ? A. No, apparently not.

Q. What is the date of the cheque and to whom paid ? A. December 28th, paid to the "Brantford Expositor."

Q. How is it endorsed ? A. T. H. Preston, Proprietor, Expositor.

Mr. MATHESON : I am very sorry about this matter ; there seems to be no question that the member for S. Brant must resign his seat, having taken work for the Government and been paid for it.

Mr. LATCHFORD to Mr. MATHESON : Do you consider that you have been honest in the way you took up this question ? A. I think so.

Mr. LATCHFORD to Mr. SPROULE : Mr. Sproule, against whom was this account rendered ? A. Against the Dairymen's Association of Western Ontario.

Mr. MATHESON to Mr. LATCHFORD : I would draw your attention to the fact that I asked him to read the account.

Mr. LATCHFORD to Mr. MATHESON : And suppressed any mention of the person to whom it was made out, and that was dishonest.

Mr. MATHESON : I do not think that you have any right to say that.

Mr. SPROULE : Allow me to correct the statement previously made in connection with this account ; I went over the accounts with the bookkeeper and from what I learned, had come to the conclusion that there was an error in calling off the accounts. It appears, however, from inquiry just made by me, that the balance of this account was paid in another account which is before you ; these items were struck out because they had been paid before, so that the total amount in the Public Accounts is correct.

By the CHAIRMAN : What is the total amount ? A. \$53.75.

By Mr. LATCHFORD :

Q. These accounts were rendered to the Dairymen's Association of Western Ontario *re.* the Pan-American Exposition ? A. Yes.

Q. All of them ? A. Yes.

Q. "The Brantford Expositor" accounts, too ? A. Yes.

Q. What is this Dairymen's Association ? A. I do not know anything of it to speak definitely about it.

Q. Can you say whether any grant was made to that Association by the Government ? A. Yes.

Q. How much ? A. You had better send for Mr. James and ask him about it ; he is familiar with this.

Q. Can you tell me how these accounts came to be paid by the Government ? A. I cannot answer that very definitely. Mr. James understands it ; he can explain ; these accounts are rendered to the Dairymen's Association and are always sent to the Department of Agriculture, as I presume the Dairymen's Association funds were given in connection with the services for which the Department of Agriculture should pay. The Department of Agriculture would control to a large extent the Pan-American grants.

Q. And the Government paid these accounts which the Western Dairymen's Association had incurred ; that is your idea ? A. That is what I surmise on the face of it.

Q. Mr. James will know all about it ? A. Yes, these accounts are recommended by the Department of Agriculture.

Q. Do you know George Hateley ? A. He is Secretary of the Western Dairymen's Association.

By Mr. PRESTON :

Q. Is there not an account in the name of Reville Bros. rendered in the same way to the Western Dairymen's Association, and certified to by the Secretary ?
A. Yes.

Q. And for similar work ? A. Yes.

By Mr. LATCHFORD :

Q. In connection with the Western Dairymen's Association ? A. Yes.

By Mr. PRESTON :

Q. The Reville Bros., owners of the " Brantford Courier," had also an account against the Western Dairymen's Association ? A. Yes.

By Mr. MATHESON :

Q. Look up the Public Accounts on page 88 ; there is an item charged there *re.* grants to Associations, Western Ontario Dairymen's Association, Legislative grant, \$3,250 ; then the next item is an additional grant for instruction, \$750 ; these were paid direct to the Association ? A. Yes.

Q. Is this account paid to Mr. Preston part of those grants, or are they charged separately ? A. Yes, it is an entirely different thing.

Q. It is not charged to the Dairymen's Association as part of their grant ?
A. No.

Q. It is paid direct by the Province ? A. Paid direct in connection with the expenditure incurred by them at the Pan-American Exposition.

Q. These accounts struck out were previously paid ? A. Yes, that was the reason they were struck out.

By Mr. LATCHFORD :

Q. And that account also is charged against the Western Dairymen's Association ? A. Yes, it is a special account *re.* Pan-American Exposition.

By Mr. MATHESON :

Q. So, Mr. Sproule, this account paid to Mr. Preston, is not part of the money voted to the Dairymen's Association ? A. No.

Q. It is payment on account of the general expenses incurred in connection with the Pan-American Exposition ? A. Yes.

Mr. C. C. JAMES called and sworn :

By Mr. LATCHFORD :

Q. Look at this account, Mr. James ; who is the account against ? A. T. H. Preston against the Dairymen's Association of Western Ontario.

Q. Made out by him against the Dairymen's Association, and that is an organization existing where ? A. In Western Ontario.

Q. Now, it appears that when this account was incurred the Government paid it ? A. Yes, the Government, as I look at it, paid that account.

Q. Can you say why or how it was incurred in connection with the dairy-exhibit at the Pan-American. It is certified to here by their secretary, Mr. Hateley ; was the dairy exhibit at the Pan-American organized by the Western Dairymen's Association ? A. It was.

Q. Mr. Hateley being the secretary ? A. Yes, the secretary of the Western Dairymen's Association.

Q. How long can you say that he has occupied that position, approximately ?
A. Five or six years, I think.

Q. Lives in Brantford, I understand ? A. Yes, he lives in Brantford.

Q. Now, what was the agreement made with the Government in regard to these accounts ? A. I could not give you the date exactly, but we had on and off in the spring quite a number of representations from individual members of the Western Dairymen's Association, asking the Government to send a dairy

exhibit to the Pan-American Exposition. In discussing the matter with the Eastern and Western Dairymen's Association directors, they were not quite certain whether the Province ought to make an exhibit or not, and the Eastern Association men felt that as we did not do any business with the United States in that line that it would not pay to make an exhibit of that kind there. The Western Association seemed to feel strongly in regard to it, and thought it would be a good advertisement of the Province could an exhibit be made. So they asked the Minister whether the Department would make one. We finally made this arrangement: we said that the Department would not make one of itself. If, however, the Association wished to undertake the work, make an exhibit and be fully responsible, a certain amount of the general grant for the Pan-American would be placed at their disposal—I forget how much it was; we made the same arrangement with the Bee-keepers organizations also.

Q. So that arrangement was carried out; instead of paying the money direct, you paid these accounts? A. Yes, they asked us then to turn over the money to them. We decided, however, that it would be more economical and more in accordance with the general principles laid down by the Auditor to have the cheques go out from here.

Q. For what? A. For expenses in connection with the dairy exhibit.

Q. By whom? A. The Western Dairymen's Association. They appointed a committee to do the work; their secretary certified as to the accounts, and as they came in we paid them.

Q. Then you paid that account as a liability incurred by the Western Dairymen's Association, and as one which the Government should pay in pursuance of the arrangements made with the dairymen? A. We simply thought that would be the most satisfactory way, and we followed it.

Q. Yes, instead of making the grant direct, you would pay the accounts that had been incurred? A. Yes.

By Mr. PRESTON.—Q. Did the Association make their arrangements independent of the Government? A. Yes.

Q. And each one had business of which the Department had no knowledge? A. Yes.

Q. If you had made a straight grant your responsibility would have been higher? A. Yes.

By Mr. MATHESON.—Q. As a matter of fact, you did not offer any special sum to the Western Dairymen's Association? A. There was no limit made.

Q. You simply assumed those accounts in connection with those agreements as to assuming the debts incurred by them? A. Yes, up to a certain figure and on condition that they were to do all the work.

Q. And if you had paid the money direct there would not have been anything said about it here? A. I may say that the Department had nothing to do with the exhibit.

Mr. LATCHFORD.—Mr. Preston is quite innocent of having violated any rule; we could get Mr. Hateley here to explain if necessary.

Mr. MATHESON.—I don't think it is hardly necessary; if the Department had handed over so much money, it would have been all right.

Mr. PRESTON, sworn;

Mr. PRESTON said: I might make the statement in the first place that on being elected as a member of parliament I gave positive instructions that no work was to be done for the Government except the customary advertising for departments under the Act, and which all newspapers in good faith receive. I have a job printing department, and though I own the business, it is under independent management and control. I only know when the cheques come in what the department is doing, save for monthly statements and receipts, &c. We have been doing work for the Western Dairymen's Association ever since Mr. Hateley

came to Brantford; we have printed their annual reports and have done a considerable measure of their work. I was not aware until to-day that the item appeared in the Public Accounts. I was not aware at the time that that cheque was for this work, having taken it for granted that it was for departmental advertising, and I signed it in that way. I knew, of course, when I saw the account against the association, that we were doing work for the Western Dairy-men's Association, but I did not know that we were doing it for them in connection with the Pan American Exposition. It is a surprise to me to find out the conditions that we have heard that we have in any way at all been connected with the Government in this. Mr. Hateley never gave me the information that the Government was connected with the matter, directly or indirectly, nor did he give such information to anyone in my employ, otherwise it would have been brought at once to my notice. The Courier Co. has rendered the same accounts for similar work. It was rendered to him (Mr. Hateley) and not to the Government. I do not know that I can say anything more.

Mr. LATCHFORD.—Hateley can be brought down here if there is any need.

Mr. MATHESON.—Oh, I do not want these fellows hounded.

By Mr. LATCHFORD.—Q. If the account had not been paid in this way, you would never have looked to the Government for it? A. Certainly not if the Western Dairy-men's Association had been unable to liquidate the account.

REFORMATORY FOR BOYS.

Mr. SPROULE recalled and examined by Mr. MATHESON:

Q. Where would this account (exhibiting document) appear in the Public Accounts? A. In the capital account of the Reformatory for Boys.

Q. I find it here on page 78; it is for a carriage for the Reformatory for Boys, \$120.00. A. Yes.

Q. Have you power to object to any items at all? A. Well, it depends in what direction you want the power exercised.

Q. For instance, here is an item in the Pan American accounts, 3,000 lithographs of Hon. G. W. Ross. Is that an item you would consider proper? A. It depends on what it is used for.

Q. What on earth do you use them for? A. I suppose the Premier is the first choice in such a matter. The lithographs were made in connection with the exhibit of a specimen of lithographing stone.

Q. There is an item, Breithaupt Bros. & Hall, \$218, for shoe leather; I cannot find it? A. All the vouchers are here.

The Committee then adjourned.

THE DICKSON LUMBER COMPANY

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE,

February 27th, 1902

Miss CHARLOTTE DICKSON called and sworn:

Examined by Mr. MATHESON:

Q. Miss Dickson, you are president of the Dickson Lumber Co? A. Yes.

Q. When were you appointed? A. December 26th, 1900; I think it was at the end of the month.

Q. I believe the stock of the company is held considerably in your family, among your relatives? A. Yes.

Q. Who was the former president ? A. Richard Hall.

Q. Who was the bookkeeper when you became president ? A. Mr. F. A. Walden.

Q. Who is your foreman in charge of the work in the woods ? A. Mr. James Eakins.

Q. He is a man that the company trusts very fully, is he not ? A. He has had charge of the work in the woods for many years.

Q. They place great confidence in him ? A. Yes.

Q. What other officers were there of the company ; who was the vice-president and assistant manager in 1900 ? A. Mr. William Davidson was assistant manager.

Q. That is during the year 1900 ? A. Yes.

Q. And who was the superintendent at that time ? A. Superintendent of what ? I do not understand the question.

Q. Superintendent of the company ; I understand there was a superintendent over Mr. Richard Hall ? A. Mr. Hall was president of the company.

Q. What was Mr. Duignan ? A. He was one of the foremen.

Q. John Duignan ? A. Yes, John Duignan.

Q. Is he in the employ of the company now ? A. No.

Q. Are you familiar personally with the affairs of the company, or were you previous to becoming president ? A. Not particularly with the ———

Q. Do you know where the limits are ? A. I have an idea ; they are in the north country.

Q. You were never at them ? A. No.

Q. Are they north of Stony Lake ? A. I do not know ; I have never been in that neighborhood.

Q. Your connection is simply through the office. A. Yes.

Q. You remember their getting a grant from the Province, voted in 1900, of \$4,000 ? A. Well, I do not know anything about the grant ; I remember the cheque coming for that amount to the company.

Q. A cheque came to the company for that amount ? A. Yes.

Q. When did you first hear of this grant ? A. I did not hear anything about it until the cheque came.

Q. Was that the first you heard of it ? A. Yes, I heard nothing before.

Q. That is the cheque the Department issued ? (Exhibiting document.) The date is December 31st, 1900, is it not ? A. Yes, that is the date.

Q. Payable to the Dickson Lumber Co. ? A. Yes.

Q. And that is your signature endorsing it as president of the company ? A. Yes.

Q. There is a stamp on the face of it showing the date it was paid ; the bank stamp paid on the 23rd January, 1901, is there not ? That is the date that is here.

Q. That would be about the date that you endorsed it ? A. I expect that is the date.

Q. Who brought it to you ? A. Mr. Walden.

Q. That is the bookkeeper ? A. Yes.

Q. Did he bring you any cheque to sign on the same date ? A. No—well, I cannot say that.

Q. Have you got the cheque book here ? A. I am constantly signing cheques.

Q. Have you got the cheque book here ? A. I presume Mr. Walden has it.

Q. Do you know if it is among those books ? (Indicating several on the table.) A. I do not know it.

(Mr. Walden, on being called, produced the cheque books of the company for January, February and March, 1901.)

Q. On the 23rd January, 1901, there appears to have been a cheque issued, No. 67; who is that cheque payable to? A. That cheque is marked "not issued."

Q. That is not an answer to my question? A. C. McGill.

Q. And it is marked "cancelled?" A. It is not issued.

Q. Did you sign that cheque? A. No, I did not.

Q. Did Mr. Walden ask you to sign it? A. No, sir, I never saw the cheque.

Q. What is the amount of it? A. \$2,000; it is marked there.

Q. Was anything said to you about signing a cheque for \$2,000? A. No.

Q. Do you sign any large cheques in favor of Mr. Eakins? A. Mr. Eakins very frequently gets cheques for his work.

Q. What is the date of that cheque, No. 109? A. 5th February, 1901.

Q. In whose favor is it payable? A. Mr. Walden "sent to James Eakins."

Q. For how much? A. \$1,000.

Q. Were you told anything specially about that cheque? A. No, because I was constantly signing cheques for Mr. Eakins for his work.

Q. Was that cheque for Mr. Eakins? A. I presume it was; if he is not near by, Mr. Walden draws it and sends it to him.

Q. Did Mr. Walden explain what was to be done with the money from that cheque? A. Mr. Walden had—

Q. I want you to try and recollect what took place? A. I don't ask any questions about the cheques when they are brought to me.

Q. Do you sign any cheque that is brought to you? A. For the business, yes.

Q. Without any inquiries at all? A. I do not require to make inquiries.

Q. Do you make any inquiries as to the purpose of the cheque? A. No, I do not.

Q. Do you swear you did not make any inquiries about that? A. Yes, Mr. Walden usually tells me—

Q. What did he say that was for? A. To send to Mr. Eakins for his work.

Q. What was that for? A. He is constantly buying supplies and he has to have money for them.

Q. Did you send any other cheque? A. I may have done so; I do not know. I know he very often gets large sums of money.

Q. Do you keep any memorandum yourself? A. No, I do not.

Q. You just sign whatever the book-keeper asks you to sign? A. I have confidence in the book-keeper that he would not ask me to sign anything but what is right.

Q. That cheque was signed on the 9th of February. Were you in the habit of sending large amounts to Mr. Eakins? A. Yes, sir, he gets a good deal of money.

Q. Did you send him a cheque for \$2,000, do you remember? A. I do not recollect now.

Q. On the 9th of February you signed a cheque for Mr. Walden to send him for \$1,000. What is this cheque? (Producing cheque-book.) What number? A. 144

Q. What date? A. February 16, 1901.

Q. Who is that payable to? A. Mr. Eakins.

Q. James Eakins? A. Yes.

Q. On what account? A. Just "on account."

Q. For how much? A. \$2,000.

Q. Do you think it rather strange that on the 5th you should send him a cheque for \$1,000, and on the 16th give him another cheque for \$2,000? A. I did not think anything about it at the time.

Q. Weren't you told what that cheque was for? A. No, I was not.

Q. Had you no idea what it was for? A. No, I had not.

Q. Had you no conversation in the family as to getting this grant from the Government? A. None whatever; I knew nothing at all about it.

Q. Did I understand you, Miss. Dickson, to say that Mr. Walden, the book-keeper, always told you what the cheques were for? A. He usually has written on the cheque what it was for, just as it is there, "for Mr. Eakins;" for any of the others that are getting money.

Q. How much do the supplies usually cost each month? How much money are you supposed to send? A. I never keep account. I do not know.

By Mr. WARDELL:

Q. Don't you see the statement? A. The statement goes to the office.

Q. You receive a statement frequently showing the amount? A. Yes, it is in the office, but I do not bother about it.

Q. But you have some money invested in this Company? A. Yes.

Q. You look after the investment? A. We have confidential men.

Q. You look after your own business; do you know what is going on all the time? A. We hear from time to time.

Q. What are your usual expenditures per month for supplies? A. I cannot tell you.

Q. What do they average? A. I do not know.

Q. Do you mean to say you do not know that much about your own business, how much you spend? A. No.

Q. Is it usual for you then, for instance, in the course of a week or ten days to pay out \$3,000 for supplies? A. We pay out a great deal of money.

Q. Do you pay out that much? A. I cannot say positively how much; I do not keep track of it; it is done at the office.

Q. You get a statement, don't you? A. The statements are at the office, if I wanted to go for them.

Q. You receive them and look over them? A. I cannot say that I do.

Q. You don't look over them? No.

Q. Who is Mr. McGill? A. He is manager of the Ontario Bank.

Q. Do you ever sign any cheques without knowing what they are for? A. The cheques are brought and marked; I am constantly signing cheques.

Q. You see what they are for?

Mr. LOUGHRIN: That is not a fair question to ask; she cannot be cross-heckled in that way.

The CHAIRMAN: I think Mr. Wardell was not in when Mr. Matheson began his investigation. I hope you will not ask the witness to repeat too much of what she has said.

Q. Why is the cheque dated February 9th, marked to be sent to James Eakins "on account." All the other cheques are made for some specific purpose. Can you explain it? A. I cannot.

By Mr. LATCHFORD:

Q. You say, Miss Dickson, that you were appointed president of the Company on December 26th, 1900? A. Yes.

Q. And prior to that time I suppose you did not take any personal interest in the affairs of the Company? A. No.

Q. You don't know what was going on? A. No.

Q. Mr. Eakins is your head man in the woods, I understand? A. Yes.

Q. And is the manager of the lumber camps? A. Yes.

Q. And in the ordinary course of events money is sent to him from time to time? A. Yes.

Q. And so far as you know all these cheques were sent to him in the same way? A. Yes, in the same way.

Q. Then the fact that you were not interested in the management of the Company prior to December, 1900, would explain that you do not know about this grant? A. Yes, I did not know anything about it until the cheque came.

Q. In any event the cheque was received shortly after you became president? A. Yes.

Q. On December 18th, I see an entry of a cheque for \$6,000; that would not be issued by you, I presume? A. No.

Q. The entry is there made out December 18th. Then on January 19th—just read the entry from the stub? A. "James Eakins on account, \$1200."

Q. January 26th from the same book? A. "No. 74, \$600."

Q. How is the cheque issued? A. "Pay to F. A. Walden for James Eakins, to send by Gorman, \$600."

By Mr. MATHESON:

Q. I suppose it was at a general meeting that you were made president? A. Yes.

Q. Was it the annual meeting or a special meeting? A. Special meeting.

Q. Was anything said at this meeting about the \$4000 grant from the Government? A. No.

Q. And you never heard of it until you got the cheque from the Government? A. No.

Q. Are you one of the principal stockholders? A. I am one of the stockholders.

By Mr. LATCHFORD: The business is quite an extensive one, I understand? A. Yes it is.

F. A. WALDEN, called, sworn:—

Examined by Mr. MATHESON:

Q. Mr. Walden, what is your position in connection with the Dickson Lumber Company? A. I am bookkeeper.

Q. Are you bookkeeper now? A. Yes.

Q. Where are the limits? A. In the townships of Anstruther, Cavendish and Harvey, north of Peterborough.

Q. Is that north of Stony Lake? A. Yes.

Q. What is the extent of the limits? A. Something like 327 square miles.

Q. Are any lumber firms other than yours interested in Stony Creek? A. Yes, there are others, I think. I know that Macdonald brings logs out there. I do not know about the others; I have never been out there myself.

Q. Have you never been on the limits yourself? A. No.

Q. How much lumber do you take out of Cavendish? A. About 12 million feet.

Q. When did you first hear of this grant from the Government to the Dickson Lumber Company in connection with these improvements? A. When the cheque came.

Q. That was in January of last year? A. Yes.

Q. You did not hear of it before? A. No.

Q. What is the cheque for? A. \$4,000.

Q. I see it is marked paid 23rd January, 1901. It would be around that date when you got it? A. It was deposited the same day.

Mr. WARDELL.—What was the grant made for? A. I cannot tell you that.

Mr. MATHESON.—Who brought you the cheque? A. It came through the mail.

By Mr. WARDELL.—

Q. Did you hear what it was for? A. Yes.

Q. What was it for? A. It was a grant for an improvement on the Creek.

By Mr. MATHESON.—

Q. Mr. Hall put in a declaration as to the amount expended on these improvements, \$8,169.30. A. Yes, I think it was something like that.

Q. He says during the season of 1899-1900. A. Yes.

Q. Some of it was spent in 1899? A. We start repairs in the fall so that we may be finished in the spring before the logs come out.

Q. Look at the cheque book for January 23rd. In whose name is cheque No. 67 made payable? A. Bank of Montreal \$1,341.

Q. There was another cheque, the previous one to that. A. It was written on January 22nd, to C. Magill \$2,000.

Q. Did you write it out. A. It was my writing.

Q. Who instructed you to write it out? A. I do not remember that. It was not issued.

Q. Did you take that cheque up to Miss Dickson? A. I do not remember.

Q. What was it for? A. I do not know what it was for.

Q. Who instructed you to write it? A. I do not remember.

Q. Well you would not. A. It is only a cheque for \$2,000. A. It is not a cheque, it did not go through.

Q. There was a cheque written out and then not issued. A. Yes, not issued. I suppose that is it.

Q. Why was it cancelled? A. I do not know; I do not remember about it at all.

By Mr. WARDELL.—

Q. Do you keep your account in that bank? A. Yes.

Q. Why did you give him a cheque for \$2,000? Why was it written out?

Mr. MATHESON.—

Q. Have you your books of account here? A. Yes.

Q. Would you show me your cash books showing payments of the 23rd of January.

By Mr. STRATTON :

Q. With whom do you do your insurance? A. With Davis, Thompson & Co. principally.

By Mr. WARDELL :

Q. Did you owe Mr. McGill anything personally? A. There is an account not settled with him that we owe him for some insurance.

Q. How much? A. I do not know.

Q. Was it \$2,000? A. I do not know.

Q. Have you ever owed him \$2,000 for insurance in your life? A. I do not know.

Q. When you issue cheques you usually put on them what those cheques are for? A. Yes.

Q. And you tell Miss Dickson when you go to her what they are for? A. Yes.

Q. Do you always tell her? A. Yes.

Q. And this cheque to Mr. McGill, what was on it? A. I do not know, I do not know about that at all.

Q. What was on the stub? A. Nothing.

Q. Was there nothing on the cheque? A. I cannot say that the cheque was filled out.

Q. Did you never take that cheque to Miss Dickson to sign? A. I do not remember at all.

Q. Did you ever hear in the course of your work there that this company owed Mr. McGill personally \$2,000? A. No.

Q. You never heard it? A. No.

Q. What does your insurance amount to each year? A. It is in the ledger.

Q. Off-hand? A. Some months it runs to \$300 and some months our premiums are \$1800; the renewals, that is, when there is a large amount of renewals.

Q. Is Mr. McGill an insurance agent ? A. No.

Q. Was he at the time the cheque was issued ? A. No, he was not in Peterboro then. We had no insurance with the Ontario Bank.

Q. You pay your insurance promptly ? A. It is generally settled by us by draft.

Q. Then this cheque could not have been for insurance ? A. I do not know what it is for. There is no cheque.

By Mr. MATHESON :

Q. Look under 16th February, 1901, cheque 144 ? A. " James Eakins per self, \$2,000."

Q. Did the president speak to you about it ? A. I cannot say that she did ; they do not speak to me about his cheques. I give them when he asks for them.

Q. You give Mr. Eakins money when he asks for it ? A. Yes.

By Mr. WARDELL :

Q. Was anything said about this cheque when it was given ? A. It would be for money he was wanting in his operations.

Q. Did you say anything to Miss Dickson when you asked her to sign it ? A. I would not say anything.

Q. You did not tell her ? A. No, she gets these cheques right along.

By Mr. MATHESON :

Q. What is that \$2,000 charged to ? A. To Eakins.

Q. On what account ? A. On his own account, woods operations.

Q. When does he make his returns ? Does he account for this money ? A. Yes, he is charged with the money when he gets it, and his books are checked over, and the entries in them are checked with the books in the general office at the end of the logging year.

Q. Have you the books here ? A. Yes, I have his account.

Q. Have you his return for that year ? A. No.

Q. Have you the return that will show the receipt of that money by Eakins ? A. No.

Q. He would have that himself ? A. Yes.

By Mr. WARDELL :

Q. Does he make a return to the office ? A. He would charge it in his own books.

Q. Have you his return ? A. I have the credit given to Eakins for the year.

Q. Have you got the money he spent ? A. Yes.

Q. Showing the amount he received and spent and for what purpose ? A. I cannot show you for what purpose from my books ; you can get that from his books to a cent.

Q. How much money did he receive ? A. He had \$27,000 from us during the year.

Q. How much did he spend ? A. His total expenditure in the woods was \$24,912, last year. That is the season of 1900-1901.

Q. There is a balance of about \$2,000 ? A. There is a balance of \$1,087.

Q. What was done with that ? A. He had a salary of \$1,200, that was charged against that salary and the balance paid.

Q. And you cannot tell from that book what he did with the money ? A. No, it would have to be from his own statement.

By Mr. STRATTON. —

Q. I suppose Mr. Eakins keeps detailed accounts of his expenditures ? A. He does.

Q. And these detailed expenditures are examined by the Company ? A. Yes.

Q. And he gives you vouchers as far as convenient in his position for all his payments ? A. Yes.

Q. I suppose a subpoena to him would enable him to produce all these books showing payments on these various cheques? A. Yes.

Q. I would like these books and papers all produced?

The CHAIRMAN :—We have sent the sheriff of Peterborough after him with instructions to bring his books and vouchers.

By Mr. MATHESON.—

On the 6th of February you gave Mr. Eakins \$1,000, cheque 109? A. Yes, \$1,000.

Q. I see on the 6th of February you put expenses for Provincial Secretary, \$5. What is that for? A. That is the registration of our annual returns for the Company.

The CHAIRMAN :—We are giving you a great deal of latitude. According to our rules, the Committee would have no right to go through the accounts of the firm.

Mr. MATHESON :—We are only asking about these items.

By Mr. MATHESON.—

Q. Who is the former president? A. Mr. Hall.

Q. To the 26th December, 1900? A. Yes.

Q. Had you any conversation with him as to this grant from the Government? A. No.

Q. Did you prepare any statement in connection with it? A. Yes, I gave a copy of the statement which the clerk in the camp prepared.

Q. That is as to the expenditure on these dams? A. Yes, I have a copy of the statement which the clerk prepared.

By Mr. WARDELL.—

Q. Did he tell you what it was for? A. He wanted it to bring it here.

Q. For what purpose? A. For getting the money for the improvement.

Q. A minute ago you said you did not know anything about it until the cheque came? A. I did not know until the cheque came.

By Mr. MATHESON.—

Q. You observe there (producing document) a copy of the statement prepared for Mr. Hall? A. The original statement, yes.

Q. What was the total expenditure on which this grant was drawn? A. \$8,169.30.

Q. How much of that was for timber. Add up the items there? A. \$423.81.

Q. That is for timber on these dams? A. Yes.

Q. And how much was for wages? A. \$7,745.49.

Q. This included blasting and cleaning? A. Blasting and cleaning was nearly all wages.

Q. A good deal of this expenditure was made in 1899? A. Part of it was.

Q. Have you any idea how much? A. No, I have not.

Q. Who conducted the negotiations to obtain this grant of \$4,000 from the Government? A. I do not know. Mr. Hall and Mr. Eakins came here and they got that statement; that is the only thing that I knew in connection with it until the \$4,000 cheque came in. They asked for a copy of this statement from the clerk in the camp and I gave them a copy.

By Mr. LATCHFORD.—

Q. In the item of wages in this schedule, I see the letters "etc.," what would the "etc." include? A. It would include blasting powder and the like of that.

Q. Board for the men? A. Board for the men. Of course the proportion charged for wages is the amount they actually got.

Q. You say part of the work was done in 1899. I suppose the season began in the fall? A. Yes, in August. The first work they did was to improve the creeks for the season's operations.

By Mr. MATHESON: Was this work begun long before the grant was made in 1900? A. Yes.

By Mr. LATCHFORD:

Q. You say that "cheque," as it has been called, was never issued? A. That McGill one, no.

Q. No cheque issued to Mr. McGill on the 23rd January, 1901, for \$2,000, or as far as you know at any other date? A. No, no cheque issued to him for that amount.

By Mr. WARDELL:

And you cannot explain why it was ever written out? A. No.

By Mr. LATCHFORD:

Q. Then in regard to Mr. Eakins' account which appears on page 27 of your ledger for the year 1900-01 and is then carried forward to page 82 of the same ledger. It was quite a common occurrence to send large sums of money to Eakins? A. Yes, all the way from \$500 to \$6,000.

Q. Amounting in all during the season, as you have said, to about \$27,000? A. Yes.

Q. Then there is only one credit in the year? A. Yes.

Q. Then his expenditures that year as accounted for by him to you were \$27,210.84? A. Yes.

Q. Leaving what balance in his hands or to be accounted for? A. There is only \$928.34 in his hands.

Q. Leaving \$928.34 in his hands unaccounted for? A. Yes.

Q. Do his books show details of this expenditure of \$27,210.84? A. Yes.

Q. He is charged with \$928 against his salary? A. Leaving a balance of \$271.-66 still owing to him.

Q. Then he really had no money in his hands? A. No.

Q. Then he satisfied you by the details of his account that he had spent that \$27,210? A. Yes.

Q. And he has accounts which show that expenditure? A. Yes.

Q. He satisfied you that he had paid out that amount of money? A. Yes.

By Mr. WARDELL:

Q. But he did not show you receipts? A. I do not know.

By Mr. LOUGHRIN:

Q. I suppose, as a matter of fact, the style of your business is that he makes requisitions for what money he wants? A. He just gets it as he wants it from time to time.

Q. You charge that to his account? A. Yes.

Q. When the year's operations are over, he comes down with his books and whatsoever cash he has then is charged him? A. Yes.

Q. You therefore have no definite knowledge of any details of what is paid out for wages for what he produces? A. No.

Q. You say you get out about 12,000,000 feet a year? A. Yes.

Q. A considerable amount of the money sent out to him represents the amount he requires for wages and supplies locally? A. Yes.

Mr. MATHESON: Did he show that all this money was paid out on sawlogs? A. Yes.

RICHARD HALL called, and sworn:

Examined By Mr. MATHESON:

A. You are the former president of the Dickson Lumber Co? A. Yes.

Q. Up to? A. December 26th, 1900.

Q. Did you as president make application for this grant \$4,000? A. For \$5000.

Q. You wanted a little more? A. Well, we will take all we can get.

Q. What is it for? A. It was for building dams on the Stony Creek.

Q. Who has any interest in the Creek besides your Company? A. I do not know; it is open for anyone's use.

Q. Were you ever up the Creek? A. Just once.

Q. The total expenditure according to your declaration was some \$8,000?
A. Yes, a little over that.

Q. That is for 1899-00? A. I suppose that is correct.

Q. Who did you ask for this grant? A. I asked Mr. Stratton and Mr. Latchford.

Q. Mr. Stratton is member for the riding I suppose? A. Yes.

Q. When did you ask about it? A. Sometime in the summer or the early part of June or July, or about that time.

Q. That would be the summer of 1899? A. My foreman and I were up here about some lots that were being located.

Q. That must have been the summer of 1899, because the grant was made in the spring of 1900? A. I suppose it was.

Q. Who went with you in the negotiations? A. My foreman.

Q. That is Mr. Eakins? A. Yes; we were up here on business at the time.

Q. Had you any difficulty in getting the grant? A. Well, I did not know until it was passed. I appealed hard enough for it; I thought it was anything but right that the dams would be there for the use of the Government to store water.

Q. In connection with what? A. The Trent Valley canal.

Q. This Government had nothing to do with the Trent canal. Was that one of the arguments you used? A. It was for our own water powers at the time, and ultimately it might do to store water for the canal; it was almost the same river.

Q. Did you tell any other members of the firm about the grant? A. They understood I had asked for it.

A. How long had you been president? A. Sometime in June, 1899, up to 26th December, 1900.

Q. Do you know about these cheques that were issued? A. I never saw them until I saw them in the papers.

Q. Had you any conversation with members of the Company about issuing them? A. What cheques do you mean?

Q. Will you look at those stubs there? (Producing cheque-book) No. 67, on the 23rd January, 1901; there are two 67's, the first one?

Mr. LATCHFORD.—I understand he had ceased to be president long before? A. I do not know anything about what occurred after I resigned.

Q. You know some things I want to ask you about. You see that cheque, the first, the one that is cancelled, 67? A. I do not know anything about this.

Q. Have you got the cheque there? A. Yes.

Q. Who is it payable to? A. I had nothing to do with the business then.

Q. There was a cheque issued, I should say written.

Mr. LATCHFORD.—It has not been sworn to.

Witness.—I do not know anything about it.

Mr. LATCHFORD.—I object to the use of the word "issued."

By Mr. MATHESON.—I want you to look at that. To whom does that stub purport to be made? A. C. McGill.

Q. Do you know Mr. McGill? A. I do.

Q. What bank is he connected with? A. The Ontario Bank.

Q. Where? A. In Toronto.

Q. Had the Company any dealings with him? A. Not that I know of; I was not in the Company at the time.

Q. You were in shortly before it? A. But the Ontario Bank at Toronto had nothing to do with the Company's business.

Q. While you were president? A. No, we did our business in Peterboro.

Q. Did you hear while president or afterwards any talk about giving a cheque to Mr. McGill. A. No, I never heard anything of the kind.

By Mr. WARDELL.—Q. At the time you resigned the presidency did you owe him \$2,000? A. I do not know.

Q. As far as you know they did not? A. I do not know.

Q. As far as you know did they? A. I do not know.

Q. Are you still a stockholder in the Company? A. No, sir; no interest in it except my family.

Q. You are married in the Dickson family? A. Yes.

Q. That is your connection with the Company originally? A. Yes.

Q. You know nothing about the transactions with Mr. Eakins after you resigned? A. No sir, I was never in the office more than once or twice.

Q. Were you consulted about any transactions after that? A. No, I never attended a board meeting or anything.

Q. Were you consulted as to what was done with the money after that? A. No sir, I never saw it until this money; I could not say whether they got that money or not until I looked in the book.

Q. You never actually saw the cheque before. You had heard that they got it? A. Yes, but I had nothing to do with the Company.

By Mr. LATCHFORD:

Q. You are not certain about what time you came up here, are you? A. No, I know you grumbled a little about what I asked you.

Q. Do you remember whether you represented that it would be a benefit to the settlers up there or not? A. Mr. Eakins did that.

Q. He will be able to speak about that? A. Yes.

Q. Is he here to-day? A. No, he is in the shanties.

C. MCGILL called, sworn:

Examined by Mr. STRATTON:

Q. What is your occupation? A. Banker.

Q. General Manager of the Ontario Bank? A. Yes.

Q. You are a director of the Dickson Co? A. I am.

Q. Is the Dickson Company indebted to you personally? A. They owe me about \$3,000, and have a contra account against me for a small amount; I do not know exactly what it is.

By Mr. LATCHFORD:

Q. Do you say you are a director of the Company? A. Yes.

Q. Were you a director in January, 1901? A. I have been a director for about three years.

By Mr. MATHESON:

Q. Are you a director now? A. Yes; I do not attend all the meetings.

Q. You live in Toronto? A. Yes.

Q. You have no active part in the management of the Company? A. No, I am only a director.

Q. The bank did not keep its account with you? A. Yes, in Peterboro.

Q. Are you general manager? A. I am.

Q. Was anything said to you on or after 23rd January, 1901, about a cheque made to your order for \$2,000? A. No, I did not know about a cheque. I have spoken to Mr. Hall about some money owing to me for insurance but never got my accounts quite settled. I said there would be about \$2,000 coming to me. I have never got it settled. I never had time to get it finally settled.

Q. Were you asked to handle any cheque as part of the insurance. A. No.

Q. Were you spoken to about it? No.

Q. Do you know anything about a stub that is written there (producing cheque-book) and then cancelled, in your name, for \$2,000, on the 23rd January, 1901? A. No, I do not know anything about it. Some time ago I spoke to them about getting a cheque for insurance.

Q. Are you satisfied that this stub has anything to do with that? A. I cannot tell you; I did not know there was any cheque made out.

W. DAVIDSON called, sworn:

Examined by Mr. MATHESON:

Q. Are you a director of the Dickson Lumber Co. now? A. Yes.

Q. How long have you been a director? A. I cannot tell you.

Q. Were you a director in 1900? A. Yes, sir.

Q. Were you in the previous year also? A. Yes, Mr. Hall was president; I was vice-president.

Q. Had you anything to do with the negotiations to obtain this \$4,000 draft? A. None whatever.

Q. Who had? A. Mr. Hall. I spoke of it once to Mr. Hall.

Q. What did you say to Mr. Hall about it? A. I did not say anything to him about it; he had a conversation with Mr. Stratton and I was not present.

Q. Did he tell you about the conversation at all? A. No.

Q. Did you come to Toronto in connection with it? A. Never.

Q. The whole negotiations were through Mr. Hall? A. Mr. Hall got the money.

Q. How is it you did not mention it to the other stockholders at the annual meeting in December, 1900? A. Well, I did not think I had any right to mention it.

Q. A grant of \$4,000 to the Company? A. The president was there and I was not asked anything about it.

Q. Did anyone else but you and Mr. Hall know about it? A. I do not know.

Q. The stockholders generally did not know about it? A. Not as far as I know.

Q. Did you know of it from the Estimates? A. I knew it was asked for.

Q. You knew that the grant was in the Estimates of 1900? A. I had no knowledge; I saw it spoken of in the papers when it passed the House.

Q. What did Mr. Hall tell you? A. He did not tell me anything; we did not discuss the thing.

Q. Do you know the limits? A. I do.

Q. What other companies are on Stony Creek besides the Dickson Co.? A. On Stony Creek there is none.

Q. So practically this grant was made for the benefit of the Dickson Co.? A. I suppose so.

By Mr. STRATTON:

Q. There is other timber in the territory? A. Yes, McDonald and different others operate.

Q. And the stream is run by other settlers? A. Yes, settlers and squatters use it the same as the Dickson Co., if they don't sell to the Dickson Co.

Q. And the dams are free to all? A. Yes.

Q. And unless these dams were constructed would it have been possible to market this timber? A. You could not have got it out at all.

Mr. MATHESON: This work was simply repairing, was it not? A. No, they were built originally and a pretty rough place it was!

By Mr. LATCHFORD:

Q. There were settlers in there; they are on located and patented lands? A. Quite a number of squatters; I do not know whether they made application or not.

Q. And they cut a little timber? A. Yes, they run it on the waters. If the Dickson Company don't, McDonald or Kelly would buy it.

Mr. STRATTON: It is sold to the highest bidder? A. Yes.

By Mr. LATCHFORD:

Q. And the greater the facilities for getting them out the better the price?
A. Yes.

Q. You say you saw this in the newspapers. There was no secrecy about the grant being made. Was it the local newspapers? A. Yes, when it was passed in the House.

Q. Was there any interest ever taken about it at the meeting of shareholders? A. I do not think so.

By Mr. MATHESON:

Q. Was it put in the Company's accounts for 1900? A. The books will show.

Q. Was any reference made in the annual statement for 1900? A. Not that I am aware of.

Q. Was any mention made in the annual statement? A. Not to my knowledge; it may have been but I do not know.

JAMES C. SHOOK: called, sworn:

Examined by Mr. STRATTON:

Q. What position do you occupy, Mr. Shook? A. I am General Manager of the Dickson Lumber Co.

Q. Where is it situated? A. Peterboro.

Q. When did you accept the position of general manager of the Company?
A. I came there on the 22nd January, 1901.

Q. Do you remember receiving a cheque from the Treasurer of the Province of Ontario for \$4,000? A. Yes, there was a cheque came there the day I assumed office.

Q. What did you do with it? A. It was placed in the general cash of the Company and put in the bank and used.

Q. Do you know of any payments of any description other than the work under construction in the Stony Creek dam for which the money was applied?
A. I do not.

Q. It seems to be the custom of your Company to issue cheques in large sums to Mr. Eakins? A. Yes.

Q. He is your woodsman and your wood-foreman? A. He is manager of the log department in the woods.

Q. Does he keep details of these cheques? A. He does.

Q. He will be able to produce details of the various expenditure for these large amounts? A. He can; yes.

By Mr. MATHESON:

Q. There is a memorandum on the margin on the stub of a cheque on the day you came in, 23rd January, 1901; had you anything to do with ordering this cheque to be written out? A. I had not.

Q. In your capacity as manager what do you do? Have you anything to do with the finances? A. Except to authorize payment of accounts in a general way I don't.

Q. Had you anything to do with sending this money to Mr. Eakins?
A. Well—

Q. You would order it to be done, or the book-keeper—? A. The book-keeper usually attends to Mr. Eakins' requisitions for the amount he wishes to use in his department, and it is paid out to him in a lump sum. He keeps his books in the office in the camps and makes his return at the end of the year.

Q. Mr. Eakins is a man the Company trusts very fully? A. Yes.

Q. The details from him are not as exact as they might be from some other people. When he certifies to a thing you take it for granted that it is right?

A. We never find anything wrong.

By Mr. STRATTON:

Q. Were you ever asked to contribute anything for political purposes—your Company? A. Not in my time.

Q. Did you ever contribute any sums for political purposes? A. I never did.

Q. Did you ever authorize any cheque of this description to anybody? A. None.

Q. Was there any cheque issued by your Company last year that would be looked upon with suspicion? A. No.

By Mr. MATHESON:

Q. Had you anything to do with getting this grant from the Government? A. Nothing at all.

Q. You knew nothing about it? A. Nothing; when the cheque came I made inquiry and found it had been applied for.

By Mr. LATCHFORD:

Q. You were not acting general manager? A. No.

Q. You were appointed general manager just at that time? A. Yes.

RICHARD HALL recalled:

By Mr. STRATTON:

Q. Was your Company ever asked to subscribe, while you were manager, for political purposes? A. No, sir.

Q. Did you ever subscribe for political purposes? A. Not a cent.

Q. Did you ever authorize any cheque to be issued, while president of the Company, for political or other purposes other than the Company's business? A. No, not other than the Company's business?

By Mr. MATHESON:

Q. Was there any discussion in the office about cheques of that nature? A. No, sir.

Q. Or demands of any kind outside the business of the Company? A. No, not in my time.

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE,

Tuesday, March 4th, 1902.

Mr. JAMES EAKINS, called and sworn:

Examined by Mr. MATHESON:

Q. You are Mr. James Eakins? A. Yes.

Q. What is your position with the Dickson Lumber Co? A. Looking after operations in the woods.

Q. How long have you been in their employ? A. Something over thirty years.

Q. Thirty years? A. Yes. Twenty-nine years and eight months, and then I was away one and a half years when there was no Company.

Q. Where are their limits? A. In Cavendish and Anstruther Townships.

Q. What County? A. County of Peterboro.

Q. North of Stony Lake? A. Yes; north-west.

Q. Stony Creek runs through them? A. Yes.

Q. What other firms are engaged in the lumbering there, or what other firms send their lumber down the creek? A. None at the present.

Q. When did you commence improvements of the dams? A. In 1900 I think it was.

Q. Or 1899? A. Yes, 1899.

Q. How much was expended on those dams? A. Near \$10,000.

Q. Mr. Hall makes a statutory declaration, in November, 1900, saying that the amount was \$8,169.30? A. Then there has been a great deal more improvements done to them since.

Q. You might look over that declaration. You will find a memorandum on the next page with details of the expenditures.

A. Yes, but a great deal more has been done since that.

Q. That may be, but have you seen this document before? A. Yes, I had access to it at any time; because I kept track of it; the expenses.

Q. Was it made up by their book-keeper? A. Yes.

Q. This is the schedule attached to Hall's declaration. You might give me the date Is it 30th November, 1900? A. Yes

Q. The 30th is it? A. The 26th.

Q. And that was made up from their books? A. Yes.

Q. And was correct at the time? A. Yes.

Q. When was it commenced? A. I think in August of that season.

Q. Of 1899? A. Yes.

Q. When was it completed? A. In April.

Q. 1900? A. Yes, for the operation of running of logs that season.

Q. Did you know of this Company getting a grant from the Ontario Legislature? A. I understood that they were to get it, but I knew nothing more about it.

Q. Who did you talk it over with? A. I heard Mr. Hall say that he was to get money.

Q. What position was he in? A. Manager.

Q. Was he not president at the time? A. Yes, I expect he was; I knew nothing of it further than what is stated here.

Q. Who had the negotiations connected with getting it? A. The money?

Q. Yes? A. I could not tell; I am not in a position to say. Mr. Hall said he had applied to the Department here and that is all I know about it.

Q. When did you first hear about the proposal to get the grant from the Government? A. During the winter sometime, in January or February, I think

Q. Of 1900? A. Yes, I think it was about that time.

Q. Who had the first idea of getting it, you or Mr. Hall? A. Well I don't know; I could not say anything about who had the first idea. Not knowing, I could not tell.

Q. Are you much at the head office in Peterboro? A. Yes, when I required money or anything in connection with the business, I went down to see after it.

Q. What was your system of drawing money? A. Well, I come down and draw \$2,000, \$5,000, \$6,000 or \$7,000, whatever I wanted; it depended on what had to be paid out; sometimes I have drawn \$25. It all depends on what I had to pay out

Q. When do you make your returns? A. Every year at the end of the season. As soon as the season is up my vouchers are there and everything waiting to be checked.

Q. Is that your book for 1901? A. Yes sir.

Q. What is this book? A. It is my cash book. When I pay out the amounts paid to the parties for cash vouchers have to correspond with the cash entered in that book.

By Mr. STATTON:

Q. And you furnish vouchers? A. Yes sir, and they must correspond with the payments and charges in that book. That is where Mr. Lenton enters them.

Mr. MATHESN: Is your book-keeper named Lenton? A. Yes sir. I issued the cash to him.

Q. What is his business. A. Book-keeper.

Q. Does he keep track of all the men's accounts paid up. Do you hand him a cheque when money is wanted? A. I hand him cash, not a cheque.

Q. Then you charge him with the several hundred dollar accounts for the payment of wages? A. Yes, the book shows a statement of that as well as other accounts paid.

Q. When did Mr. Hall cease to be president? A. I think it was in December, about that time.

Q. Of 1900? A. Yes sir, 1900 I think.

Q. Did you know of this cheque coming from the Government for \$4000? A. Well, I heard about it, that is all I knew.

Q. Who told you? A. Well, I forget; I was not interested in it, and when I am not interested in anything it does not bother me.

Q. Were there any complaints of the Company as to the cost of operations in 1900? A. Well, I could not say indeed whether there were any complaints that particular year; sometimes when there is a scarcity of labor and stuff costing more and wages went up, and there was more expenditure.

Q. In that 1900-01, did you take out much timber, in round numbers by the season, I mean, what did you take? A. Something over ten and a half million feet.

Q. What the year before? A. I think about nine million or something of that kind, I could not say positively.

Q. Did you take out that each year for the last ten years? A. No sir, I have not been at it for the last ten years, I have been looking after it for five seasons starting from the time since the Company got back the limit; it was sold, and then when it was sold I had nothing to do with it.

Q. When was it sold? A. In 1892, I think; I cannot remember dates very well.

Q. In 1892, how much for? A. I heard \$450,000.

Q. Did the Company get it back? A. They had to take it back, the purchasers would not pay for it.

Q. Do you know what it cost originally? A. Originally in the neighborhood of about \$270,000, and then they had to pay over and above the purchase money to a Mr. Scott, which brought it up to about \$300,000.

Q. Might it not have been \$200,000 instead of \$300,000? A. No sir, \$270,000 and I think Mr. Scott got \$20,000 or \$30,000.

Q. How much of a payment was made by the Company they sold out to? A. Something in the neighborhood of \$200,000 I think.

Q. Then that they took it back? A. Yes, they bought it in in order to save themselves.

Q. They have not been lumbering every year? A. Not right along. They were three years out of it.

Q. How much do you think they paid in dues to the Government in the last ten years? A. I do not know anything about that.

Q. \$20,000? A. Yes, more than that.

Q. Are you sure that they have paid \$30,000? A. I feel sure that they have paid whatever the measure was.

Q. Are you sure it was \$30,000? A. Yes, I am sure.

Q. Not less? A. I don't know.

Q. As a matter of fact it was less, but you think it might have been something like that? A. Yes, I think so: it does not interest me.

Q. When do you say they got the limits back? A. They got them back—well, this is the fifth winter since they got them back.

By Mr. STRATTON:

Q. Do you know whether they have paid one dollar or ten dollars or anything on dues? A. No, that is not in my department.

By Mr. MATHESON :

Q. You have an idea of the lumber taken out? A. Oh yes.

By Mr. MISCAMPBELL :

Q. Do you make a general return? A. Yes.

Q. And you swear to that? A. Yes.

Q. Whatever the measure is, you certify to. A. I certify to it as far as my knowledge goes.

By Mr. MATHESON :

Q. So that you have an opportunity of ascertaining to a certain extent what the dues would be? A. Yes, if I wanted to find it out, but it does not concern me; it is not my part of the business.

Q. Did you discuss with Mr. Hall about this \$4000? A. I understood that they were to get it, but apart from that know nothing further.

Q. Did you discuss the amount received afterwards? A. I heard him say that they were to get that; they might have received that or double that, I could not tell, they advanced no proposition to me.

Q. Do you know of any cheque being given to Mr. McGill? A. No sir, I do not.

Q. Did you ever hear of it? A. No.

Q. Have you paid any money out except for lumbering, any of the Company's money I mean? A. No, I have got to show in this book any money that I pay out, it is charged to me, and I have to render an account, and if I cannot show that it has been paid in wages, etc., I have to make up the shortage, if my wages, etc. do not come up to what I show in the cash account.

Q. Did you discuss in the store about this grant? A. I could no say where it was.

Q. Did you discuss with Hall the question of the whole cost of the creek improvements being charged in one year? A. I may have spoken on that point.

Q. Were they so charged? A. Yes, all in one season.

Q. I suppose that made the operations look less favorable that year? A. Yes, because there was so much more on that account for the season's work, the book-keeper has a bright memory, and he can tell you whatever it cost, the works charged up to it. If they got anything I do not know.

Q. Officially I suppose you did not. You knew of the \$4,000 coming. A. Yes.

Q. Who from? A. I could not say.

Q. From Mr. Hall? A. No, I do not think I did.

Q. Do you swear that you did not? A. Well, I understood him to say that it was \$4,000.

Q. Was he taking credit for getting the \$4,000? A. Well, I expect he was.

Q. Did he take credit to you? A. He said the Government was going to give \$4,000. I could not say that he took credit.

Q. Did he claim credit for getting it? Well, I expect he did.

Q. This was at the time he was grumbling about the improvements being charged to one year? A. I do not remember him grumbling about the cost; not to my knowledge.

Q. Did you object that the Company did not get the benefit of the whole \$4000? A. No, I do not know anything about it.

Q. I want you to refresh your memory and be certain about this. Did you tell Hall that the Company did not get the benefit of the \$4000, and that it was only \$2000? A. I did not.

Q. You swear to that? A. Yes, I swear to it.

Q. Did you pay any money of the Company at any time to anyone other than for the operations in the woods. A. No, I did not.

By Mr. STRATTON :

Did you ever contribute any money for political purposes? A. I did not.

Q. Did you ever use any moneys given you by the Dickson Co. for political purposes or for any purpose other than the direct supplies or expenses for the Company? A. I did not. Never except in connection with their business, paying wages etc.

Q. Except for the practical supplies and work and expenses of the Company?
A. That is it.

Q. Were you ever asked to contribute to a political fund? A. I never was.

Q. Did you ever volunteer a subscription to a political fund? A. I did not.

Q. Could any of the moneys which passed into your hands be diverted for political purposes or into any political funds without your knowledge? A. No sir, they could not.

By Mr. MATHESON:

Or any other fund? A. None of the funds that I had to deal with.

By Mr. STRATTON:

Q. Then were any of the moneys paid into your hands or which passed into your hands, at any time, on any occasion, used for other purposes than the practical purposes of the Company without being accounted for in that book?

A. No, I must account for everything.

Q. Were those dams on Stony Creek substantially built? A. They were as solid as the Government could put them up, well put together and would stand as much pressure. Of course they were not trimmed quite so nicely.

Q. Have you any reason to believe that the moneys of the Company were diverted or passed over to any one for political purposes? A. No, I do not think so.

By Mr. MATHESON:

Q. Have any logs gone down the creeks except those of the Company?
A. Not as yet.

By Mr. STRATTON:

Q. How much timber is in the locality? A. I have no idea as to the total quantity.

By Mr. MATHESON:

Q. How long is this creek? A. It starts in Cavendish and runs across Anstruther, and it has three or four branches.

Q. How long is it; twenty miles? A. Well, its area is more than that I guess.

By Mr. STRATTON:

Q. Are these dams so built that other owners of timbers may use them?
A. Yes, any person can use them; they are strong enough to last for years.

Q. What I want you to be positive about is that any money in any manner, shape or form got out of your hands and with your knowledge could be used for political purposes? A. No, sir.

By Mr. LATCHFORD:

Q. Was there a book prior to this? (the one produced) A. Yes, sir.

By Mr. MATHESON:

Q. Take the 6th of February, 1901; you got a cheque then for \$1,000?
A. Yes, I did. It is charged here.

Q. And again on the 16th of February? A. For \$2,000, sir.

Q. Did you use all that money for the purposes of the Company? A. You can see where it has gone to; it is all in here; some of it is here charged to the clerk and paid to different parties.

By Mr. LATCHFORD:

Q. Perhaps we had better ask him to give the entry?

By Mr. MATHESON:

Q. Are those cheques made out to order? A. Payable to me.

Q. To you or bearer? A. I got them payable to myself.

Q. Do you know whether they are printed as payable to order? A. Yes, certainly, they are regular bank cheques. Sometimes they cross the order out and make it bearer.

Q. Did you direct Mr. Hall's attention at any time and tell him that the Company only got \$2,000 instead of \$4,000? A. No, sir, I did not.

By Mr. LATCHFORD:

Q. Sometimes you got money and sometimes a cheque? A. Yes, sir.

Q. Sometimes the book-keeper would hand you the amount? A. Yes, if he had it in the office, but as a general thing it was a cheque.

Q. And sometimes he would make out a cheque payable to himself, for you, supposing you were in the bush and get the money for it to be sent out? A. Yes, he would send it.

Q. And in the month of February you would be in the bush I suppose? A. Yes, and he would send the money.

Q. How much did you get from the 1st of January, 1900? A. It is all there that I got from the Company.

Q. All here in this book? A. Yes.

At Mr. LATCHFORD'S request, Mr. Eakins read some of the entries. January 19th, \$1,200; January 25th, \$600; February 6th, cash per John Thompson, \$1,000; February 16th, cash cheque, \$2,000; cash Weldon, \$30; March 5th, \$700; March 9th, \$1,200.

Mr. LATCHFORD:

Q. Now, referring to this particular cheque for \$2,000 which you appear to have received on February 16th? A. Yes, sir. I take the credits for that? A. Yes. Mr. Eakins then read some of the charges against the amount: Thompson for sawing wood, \$200; George Manice, \$80; Switzer, \$100; Lenton, \$700.

Mr. LATCHFORD:

Q. Turning to Mr. Lenton's account, we find that the \$700 referred to charged against him? A. Yes.

Q. And all the moneys were paid out for the purposes of the Company in the ordinary phase of business, and not one cent for political purposes? A. No.

Q. The accounts there on the books are for the purposes of the Company? A. Yes.

Q. Do you know when it was that you knew the \$4,000 was coming; can you fix the date? A. I could not tell what the date was.

Q. Did you see the matter referred to in the newspapers? A. I may have, but to tell you the truth I read very little of the newspapers. I am working all day, and when I come in at night I have no time.

Q. Was it a matter of common knowledge, was it well known? A. Yes, I think it was well known that it was expected.

By Mr. MISCAMPBELL:

Q. It was talked about? A. Yes.

By Mr. LATCHFORD:

Q. It was granted in the Estimates of 1900? A. Yes.

By Mr. MATHESON:

Q. About April I suppose; would it be in the Supplementaries or in the main Estimates?

Mr. LATCHFORD:—I am not sure.

Mr. LATCHFORD (to the witness):

Q. Are there any settlers in that country? A. Yes.

Q. Do they take logs out on their own account? A. Sometimes and sometimes for the company, and are paid so much for those for the company.

Q. Do you remember waiting on the Commissioner of Public Works with Mr. Hall in the winter of 1899 ? A. Yes, I think about some lots.

Q. But on this matter I mean ?

By Mr. MATHESON :—What date ?

Mr. LATCHFORD :—Sometime I think in that winter.

Witness :—Yes, before the money was paid.

By Mr. LATCHFORD :

Q. Do you remember stating then that it would be of great benefit to the settlers ? A. I do not remember ; I remember speaking about the settlers getting located and that they would cut the timber.

Q. But talking about the benefit these improvements would be, do you remember saying so ? A. I do not.

By Mr. MISCAMPBELL :

Q. Would they be an improvement ? A. Some of them, especially in the north, would be.

Q. In what way ? A. For drawing logs away.

By Mr. LATCHFORD :

Q. No dues are charged ? A. No sir.

Q. And the Government has improved other streams in that locality ? A. Yes sir, Score River and others

By Mr. MISCAMPBELL :—They have done all these ?

Mr. STRATTON :—Yes.

Mr. MISCAMPBELL :—They have done all this ?

Mr. STRATTON :—Yes.

Mr. MISCAMPBELL :—Do you charge dues ?

Mr. STRATTON :—No.

By Mr. MATHESON :

Q. Who is Switzer ? A. He is a farmer.

Q. Living up there ? A. Yes. He generally took out logs in the season.

Q. If you paid him \$60 would that be for works or taking out logs ? A. Taking out logs. If you turn up his account in the book you will find it there and find I paid him more than that.

By the CHAIRMAN :

Q. Did you come from the shanties here now ? A. Yes.

Q. How far from Peterboro ? A. Forty-five miles.

Q. By sleigh ? A. Yes.

Q. It is not good sleighing, I suppose ? A. Not very.

By Mr. MISCAMPBELL :

Q. Where is the Buckhorn and Cavendish road ? A. Through our limits.

Q. Settlers on it ? A. Yes.

Q. Had a grant for that, did you ? A. Yes sir.

By Mr. STRATTON :

Q. What was it, \$400 ? A. Yes, \$412.

By Mr. MATHESON :

Q. In paying that amount, would you credit the Government grant in your book here ? A. Yes sir, I charged it in with the company's accounts for expenses, and the Government money replaced what I paid out of the company's money.

Q. How long is this road ? A. It runs from Buckhorn to Haliburton.

Q. This part you were improving runs through the limits ? A. It goes through the limits and then on to Glenmorgan.

Q. Well, it is practically for the benefit of this Company ? A. For anybody that travels on it.

Q. Where is the Black Lake and Cavendish road ? A. Further nor h in the township.

Q. That is for the benefit of the limits I suppose? A. No sir, for the benefit of the settlers.

Q. Where is the Black Lake and Ketchecum road? A. The road you refer to goes out through the township.

Q. In both of these grants the Company would get the benefit from both these roads? A. It would not get the benefit on the Black Lake road, but for the other they would; the Buckhorn and Cavendish road, they would.

By Mr. STRATTON:

Q. And the Ketchecum road you do not use at all? A. Not much.

Q. It enables some of the settlers and also the Company, I suppose, to get supplies on the Buckhorn road? A. Yes.

Q. Do you remember this appropriation of \$400? A. Yes.

Q. Why it was granted? A. It was granted for the benefit of the settlers, and because the road was in bad order, and we had to fix part of it ourselves.

Q. On account of the rough traffic and some of the small bridges and culverts being absolutely gone? A. Yes, sir.

Q. And why were you appointed Inspector? A. Because I gave my time free of charge, and for the whole sum to be put on the road, so that it would be put on the road, and not for an inspector.

Q. And you engaged the men there? A. Yes, I did.

Q. You had no interest other than in the advantage of the general public? A. Yes, that was it.

Mr. F. A. WALDEN recalled:

Examined by Mr. MATHESON:

Q. You were sworn the other day? A. Yes.

Q. When did you say that you were first apprised of this grant of \$4,000? A. Of the grant being made?

Q. Yes? A. Not until the cheque came.

Q. Were you applied to for a statement of the amount spent on Stony Creek dams? A. Yes, sometime in December I think.

Q. Did you make a copy of the statement? A. The clerk made it out and I made a copy.

Q. Who did you give your statement to? A. I do not remember; it may have been Mr. Hall; I would not be certain.

Q. Any one else appear at the office and ask for it? A. Not that I know of.

Q. Mr. Hall asked you if the cheque had arrived? A. No, sir.

Q. Mr. Hall never called you out and asked you if the cheque from the Department had arrived? A. No.

Q. Quite certain of that? A. Yes, sir.

Q. Who instructed you to write out a cheque to Mr. McGill? A. I don't know.

Q. Try and refresh your memory? A. I cannot remember anything about that cheque—I have been thinking about it since the other day.

Q. Your position was book-keeper of the Company? A. Yes.

Q. Confidential clerk? A. You might term it that also.

Q. You were the one who wrote out the cheques? A. Generally. Not always.

Q. You had charge of the cheque book. Do you swear that you do not know who told you to write out that cheque to Mr. McGill? A. Yes, I do swear it; I do not remember a thing about it.

Q. Were those cheques printed as payable to bearer or order? A. To order; all were payable to order.

Q. Do you make them payable to order or are they printed? A. They are printed that way.

Q. Where are those cheques? A. Which cheques? Those that come back from the bank? At the office at Peterboro

Q. Would you have cheque No. 67? A. Yes, I have cheque No. 67.

Q. Have you this cheque that was not issued? A. No sir.

Q. What was done with it? A. I do not know. I do know that I wrote it.

Q. Will you swear that the stub—you saw it, that you had here, was in your handwriting? A. It was in my handwriting.

Q. So probably the cheque was written by you? A. Yes; if written at all, I should think it would be in my own handwriting.

Q. In a case like that what do you do with a cheque? A. A cheque not issued?

Q. Yes, what would you do with that cheque? A. If I had made it out.

Q. Supposing it was cancelled? A. If it was cancelled before being signed I would tear it up—

Q. And if cancelled after being signed? A. Take care of it in the office.

Q. Is it there now? A. It is not.

Q. When was it last in the office? A. I do not know.

By Mr. STRATTON:

Q. It was never issued? A. No, never issued.

By Mr. MATHESON:

Q. Any money drawn on it? A. No.

Q. Did you take it to Miss Dickson? A. I do not remember doing so. I do not remember filling out the cheque; I cannot recollect anything about it. If I had not seen that the stub was in my handwriting, I would positively have said I never filled it out.

Q. You swear that Mr. Hall did not direct you to make out that cheque to Mr. McGill? A. He did not.

Q. Were you present at the annual meeting? A. No, only the shareholders and the secretary; I am secretary now but was not up to this year.

Q. Were you called in at all? A. No sir.

Q. Any one send for you? A. No sir.

Q. You did not go in there or appear there at all? A. No.

Q. And the first you heard of the Government grant was when the cheque was received? A. Yes sir.

Q. About the 22nd of January I suppose? A. Yes, about that time.

Q. I see it was paid in Toronto on the 23rd, so it was probably received the day before? A. I think so.

Q. Who was manager of the Company? A. Mr. Schook. He came that day to take charge. Mr. Hall resigned in December.

Q. Who was there before? A. Before Mr. Hall?

Q. Yes, who had Mr. Schook's duties before Mr. Hall? A. Up to the time of his resigning and between the time of Mr. Hall and Mr. Schook there was no manager.

Q. Who had charge of the work? A. Duignan; you might call him assistant manager.

Q. Was he there when the cheque came? A. He was there on the morning; that was the day he quit our employ.

Q. Had you any talk about the cheque with him? A. With him?

Q. Yes? A. When he opened the mail he gave me the cheque.

Q. Did he appear to know for the first time then? A. I think he knew that the application was in; I do not know that he knew whether it was coming.

Q. I suppose you asked what it was for? A. Yes, he told me that it was for work on the dams, and it was to be for \$5,000 and was only \$4,000.

Q. How did you enter it? A. To the credit of the Department of Public Works.

Q. Wherein ? A. Our cash book, in the cash blotter, and from there it was transferred to the regular cash book and from there to the ledger.

Q. Did you speak to Mr. Hall about it then ? A. I asked Mr. Hall whether the amount was right at the time he (Duignan) told me to do that. He understood that it was for \$5,000 : I asked him (Hall) if \$4,000 was right. He said yes. I used the cheque and deposited it that day.

Q. Did Mr. Hall then say anything to you about a cheque for \$2,000 ? A. He did not.

Q. What possessed you to write out that cheque for \$2,000 ? A. I do not know ; I cannot recollect it at all.

Q. You would not do it without instructions from someone ? A. Someone must have told me, I do not think it would have been done without instruction.

Q. Who would have the authority ? A. The president.

Q. Mr. Hall ? A. No, Miss Dickson ; Mr. Hall was not an officer of the Company.

Q. Well, Miss Dickson would have to sign it ? A. Yes, I might write it out and take it to her, but I do not think I ever wrote it.

Q. Well, it must have been signed ; you must have written it ? A. I do not know, I do not remember anything about it. I can say that before I saw that stub I would have said I never wrote the cheque.

Q. How are you in the habit of writing cheques ? A. No fixed rule about it.

Q. When was the annual statement made out ? A. I cannot tell you the date, it was made up the 31st December.

Q. At what time would it be made up ? A. Sometimes early in February ; it would take about a month to get all the matters together.

Q. Did you discuss with Duignan as to the \$4,000 not appearing ? A. No, he had left us ; he was leaving the day the cheque came.

Q. Was he ever around the office since ? A. No, never since ; only once to get a settlement, I think.

By Mr. MISCAMPBELL :

Q. How long have you been with them ? A. Ten years.

Q. You are in the habit of making out all of the cheques ? A. I make out most of them.

Q. Do you not generally know in the run of business about different cheques ? A. Yes.

Q. You do ? A. Yes.

Q. Do you solemnly swear that you have no recollection of that cheque, whether it was cancelled ? A. I do.

Q. Cannot recollect it at all ? A. Cannot recollect it at all.

By Mr. STRATTON :

Q. Did Mr. McGill carry on insurance some years ago ? A. Yes.

Q. Principally on what ? A. On the hardwood mills.

Q. Is there a disputed account ? A. Not disputed. There is an account.

Q. Did he ever render an account up till recently for his claim ? A. He did not.

Q. He swears the Company owes him about \$3,000, and there was a contra account against him ? That is correct is it not ? This cheque may have been issued to him on account ? A. I do not know about that.

Q. If he swears that he authorized him to issue that cheque, would it be refreshing your memory ? A. He could not do it ; he was not in authority.

Q. Mr. Schook, the manager, came that day ? A. Yes.

By Mr. MATHESON :

Q. I suppose you do not consider that they owe him anything ? A. Yes, they do.

Q. No such amount ? A. Yes, fully that.

Q. How long for ? A. It had been running considerably before I came there.

Q. How long have you been there ? A. Ten years.

Q. And never had a settlement ? A. No, never asked him.

By Mr. MISCAMPBELL :

Q. What is the premium on the limits ? A. On the limit, \$2 50, and on the mill, \$3 75.

Mr. MISCAMPBELL : That is too small ? A. But the mill is a water mill.

By Mr. MATHESON :

Q. How long is it since you ceased to insure ? A. Five or six years.

Q. Do you mean to say that there are accounts of Mr. McGill's against the Company for two or three thousand dollars never regulated ? A. There are.

Q. Has he any account with the family, any relation between them to make it so ? A. No.

Q. Has he any stock ? A. Yes, in the trust.

By Mr. STRATTON :

Q. He is a sort of fatherly director, isn't he ? A. Yes.

By Mr. MATHESON.—

Q. This claim is outlawed by the statutes ; it is over six years old. A. I think it is

Q. And he never put in his account for it. Would this be for commissions on the insurance ? A. No.

Q. For premiums and renewals that he would have to account for to his Company ? A. Yes ; what we paid for insurance.

Q. Have you not got some account against him ? A. Yes.

Q. What was it ? A. Some deal in connection when the firm sold out ; about a thousand dollars against him.

Q. And he seems willing to call it square ? A. No, he does not, I have heard him say that he does not want to get a written account ; he does not know how to get at it.

Q. He wants to lump it does he ? A. Yes.

Q. Willing to take \$2,000 ? A. I do not know.

By Mr. STRATTON :

Q. You are book-keeper ? A. Yes.

Q. Have charge of the cash ? A. Yes.

Q. Could any money have been diverted for political purposes without your knowledge ? A. It could not

Q. Was any money so diverted last year or the year before ? A. No.

Q. No money could possibly come into the company and leave the company without being referred to you in the transaction of business ? A. That is so.

Q. None could draw out without your knowledge ? A. No.

Q. Was any money paid for purposes other than political ? A. Only in connection with the business accounts against the company.

Q. No commissions or rake offs, or anything of this kind ? A. No.

Q. There could be no commission on that \$4,000 without your knowing ? A. No.

By Mr. LATCHFORD :

Q. I wish to ask about the standing of this man Duignan. The cheque arrived at the time when he was leaving ? A. Yes

Q. The day he left, or the day previous ? A. He was there on the morning it came.

Q. It was his last day ? A. Yes.

Q. And he has not been employed by the company since ? A. No.

Q. Any settlement at the time he left ? A. No.

Q. And when he was afterwards in the office it was in connection with some claim ? A. For a settlement of his account, I think.

Q. And his statement to you was that the cheque should have been for \$5,000? A. Yes.

Q. Who succeeded him in the position he held up to that time? A. No person in that special position; his work was divided between the manager and myself, and we took on a junior in the office.

Q. Any falling out at that time between Duignan and Mr. Hall? A. I do not think so.

Q. Between Duignan and the company? A. There was.

Q. Did he resign? A. He resigned on Mr. Hall's resignation being accepted as manager.

Q. He said if it was accepted he would leave? A. Yes.

Q. Was he dismissed? A. He went on his own account; he told me he would not work under a new manager.

Q. Referring to the cheque stubs, do you notice that the cheque following the stub marked "cancelled" is also numbered, and the stub following that is also numbered? A. Yes.

Q. 67 I think; what is the cancelled stub? A. Also 67.

Q. What does that indicate, can you draw an inference as a book-keeper? A. I keep cheques in consecutive numbers and turning back found that the previous issue was cheque 66, and the one following 67.

Q. Yes, would that bring any inference as to the time, as to the lapse of time, for instance, at the top of the page and the cancelled cheque? A. There may have been and there might not have been.

Q. Would it not indicate that you issued cheque 67 when that other was cancelled? A. Clearly.

Q. So that the cheque would be cancelled shortly after it was written, if it was written? A. Certainly; yes.

Q. The cheque actually issued as 67 bears the same date as the stub? A. I think so.

Q. The cancellation may have taken place immediately? A. Yes, at any rate before the next cheque was issued.

By Mr. MATHESON:

Q. It may also be one way of issuing duplicates? A. I do not try to get duplicates, it bothers me.

Q. Have you cancelled cheques before? A. Yes.

Q. That year, or that day? A. I do not remember.

Q. You are unable to swear that it was signed? A. I am unable to swear that it was written out and if not written out it was not signed.

Q. Can you swear that it was signed? A. It was not signed.

By Mr. STRATTON:

Q. Was it issued? A. I do not think it was issued,—I do not remember. If it was signed it would not be in my office.

By Mr. MATHESON:

Q. No, I don't think it is in your office? A. It did not go to the bank, I am certain.

Q. It did not go to the bank? A. No sir.

Mr. JOHN DUIGNAN called and sworn:

By Mr. MATHESON:

Q. You were formerly employed by the Dickson Lumber Co? A. Yes.

Q. When were you first employed? A. About 1880.

Q. Up to what time? A. About eighteen years altogether.

Q. Up to January, 1901? A. January 23rd, 1901.

Q. What was your position? A. Book-keeper, assistant to the manager and acting manager when they had no manager between the time Mr. Hall resigned

his position of manager and before the arrival of Mr. Schook, on the 22nd January, 1901.

Q. Do you know the limits of the Company? A. I know the limits; I figured them for the purchase when they were first purchased.

Q. What did they cost? A. In round figures, about \$300,000. They were worth more though, far more.

Q. They were sold at one time I believe? A. Yes, for about \$450,000.

Q. After taking considerable timber off? A. about 50,000,000 feet.

Q. And then they were sold? A. Yes.

Q. How much paid down? A. Over \$200,000. That is paid on that purchase \$200,000 or more than that.

Q. Then they had to take them back? A. Yes, they defaulted from their payments, and the result was the limits came back to the Dickson Co.

Q. And did the Dickson Co., did they commence lumbering at once after they took them back? A. No, they would have sooner sold them.

Q. Did they try to sell them? A. Well, they were trying to sell.

Q. How long did they wait? A. They were getting ready early in the fall to start to operate, a prospective purchaser loomed up and held them back for a time

Q. So they finally went on to lumbering themselves? A. Yes.

Q. What dues did they pay to the Government after that? A. After what?

Q. Any revenue the Government got; was it \$20,000? A. After they took the limits back?

Q. Yes? A. About between \$20,000 and \$30,000.

Q. That would be the amount of revenue that the Government got in the last five or six years up to 1901? A. About that.

Q. From the time they took them back? A. Yes.

Q. Do you know Stony Creek? A. Yes; I have not been on it but I know where it is from the reports from the men employed on it; I have figured the cost of the Stony Creek.

Q. For improvements? A. Yes, for the improvements.

Q. How much did you figure it, you made an estimate? A. It came to the sum of about \$7,000 I think.

Q. When was the work done. A. It commenced in the fall of 1899.

Q. When was it completed? A. The upper work that the estimate was on. Sometime that winter four dams were completed, about March or April I suppose.

By Mr. STRATTON:

Q. Ready for spring running? A. Yes, for the spring driving and sawlogs.

By Mr. MATHESON:

Q. So you made no estimate of it exceeding \$13,000? A. No sir.

Q. Did you make up an estimate of what it did cost? A. Yes.

Q. Mr. Hall made an affidavit; look at that statement in front of you, you will see that Mr. Hall made a statement on the 26th of November, is it, please look at the date? A. The 29th of November 1900.

Q. Mr. Hall in that stated that the cost was \$8,169.80? A. Yes.

Q. I suppose he got those figures in the office, did he? A. Yes, I suppose he did, if I saw the account I would know if he got it there or not.

Q. Any other lumbering men on Stony Creek? A. No sir.

Q. I suppose the local people sometimes lumber for the Company? A. Oh yes, a little.

Q. But do not take it out on their own account on Stony Creek? A. I do not think so. They have not done so yet.

Q. You have not heard of any? A. No sir.

Q. When did you first figure on the cost of the dam? A. In June, 1899, on the figures furnished by the superintendent of the bush, Eakins.

Q. A year before the grant? A. Yes, a year before they got the grant.

Q. Eakins was the foreman in charge? A. Yes, he was the man in charge of the woods department of the business.

Q. Was he told to go on with the work after you figured out the cost? A. Yes, shortly after that.

Q. When did you first hear about getting assistance from the Government? A. Sometime in October, 1899.

Q. Who told you? A. Mr. Hall and Mr. Eakins, said they were going to get a grant from the Government.

Q. They were to get assistance from the Government to do that work? A. Yes.

Q. In the spring, those returns as to the cost came in? A. Yes, that expenditure came in in the spring when the season was finishing up.

Q. Then in the fall, he told you he had applied for the grant? A. Mr. Hall referred to the matter of getting accounts in shape to send to the department so as to get the grant made. I did not make out the account then when he spoke to me. Mr. Stratton came to me.

Q. What Mr. Stratton? A. W. A. Stratton, he was in the office with Mr. Walden; that was the first time I met him at the office, and Walden referred to me if I could get the details of that account.

Q. Did he say what was the object? A. So as the account would be put in and the grant got before the 31st of December.

Q. With the object of getting this cheque from the Government? A. With the object of getting it from the Government.

Q. I understood Mr. Walden to say he did not know about the grant. He must have been mistaken? A. Well, Mr. Stratton and Mr. Walden were there at that time. Mr. Walden asked me if I could get the details of the work for Mr. Stratton. I asked if a month or two would do, I could not get them now.

Q. What did he say then? A. That the figures he had would do.

Q. Any special time? A. By the 31st of December so as to get the cheque in that year's accounts.

Q. When did Mr. Hall cease to be manager? A. About Christmas time that year, 1900.

Q. Is he still a stockholder? A. Well, his children are; I guess he has a small share.

Q. For his children, I suppose? A. Yes.

Q. Did he ask after he ceased to be manager about the cheque? A. Yes, many times asked me if it had arrived, and on the 22nd day of January it arrived.

Q. The cheque came? A. Yes, the cheque came.

Q. That would be this cheque, I suppose, dated 31st December 1900? A. Yes, this is the one and endorsed by Miss Dickson, as president.

Q. For \$4,000? A. Yes, for \$4,000.

Q. Who opened the letter containing this cheque? A. I opened it.

Q. You see it is paid at Toronto on the 23rd. I suppose it was paid in the bank at once? A. Yes, taken up to Miss Dickson.

Q. To be endorsed? A. Yes, I suppose so, and it and other moneys taken to the bank.

Q. That would be on the 22nd? A. Yes, I have no doubt about that.

Q. It is paid in Toronto on the 23rd, the next day? A. I suppose so; I am talking about the 22nd, about that cheque when I saw it.

Q. What did you do with it? Handed it to Mr. Walden? A. Yes, I handed it to him and he said I had better notify Mr. Hall, and he called him up on the 'phone and told him that the cheque had arrived. After that he said to me, a cheque for McGill for \$2,000.

Q. And who had he been talking to? A. To Mr. Hall on the 'phone.

Q. What did he do then? A. He got his cheque book and wrote out a cheque to Mr. McGill. I said "Very well." He did it, and after that he took the cheque there and others and went to Miss Dickson to have them endorsed. He made his entry for the receipt of that in the cash blotter, wrote a cheque in the cheque book for \$2,000, payable to the order of McGill.

Q. Did you see that cheque again after he came back? A. I did not, I did not see it again.

Q. Do you know if it was signed or not? A. I do not.

By Mr. STRATTON:

Q. Did you leave the employ of the Company that day? A. The next day I did. I settled up on the 24th, to be more exact on the 23rd.

By Mr. MATHESON:

Q. Any entry made in the cash book at that time, and if entries were being made, where would it be put? A. The receipts of money and cheques were put in the cash blotter and the payments of cash in that same blotter, and the payment by cheque, and the counterfoil of the cheque was the evidence of the time when it arrived or making the entries.

Q. You were asked just now if you left that day. Mr. Walden said you did not quarrel with the Company, except on Mr. Hall's resignation. A. Yes, I left on my own account, he does not know why I left.

Q. He understood that you left because of Mr. Hall having left? A. I made no such complaint. I made my purpose known to only one director.

Q. You left entirely on your own accord? A. Yes, after giving notice to the largest stockholders of the Company and stayed a month afterwards when they asked me, and I said I would stay.

Q. When did you give this notice? About the time Mr. Hall was changed? A. Yes, about that time, about the last of December.

Q. You stayed until January 22nd? A. Until the 23rd January, 1901.

Q. I suppose it was quite a wrench giving up the business? You had been there 18 years? A. Oh, I was glad to leave them.

Q. Wasn't it a wrench to part with old associates? A. No, I was sick of most of them. They were no good, damn them.

Q. Did Mr. Walden say at the time he was telephoning what the \$2,000 cheque was to be made for? A. No, but after returning from Miss Dickson and being there to get them signed, he returned and talked the matter over. He said, "It is good to be McGill and get \$2,000." I said, "I suppose it is to pay travelling expenses." He said, "No, he has got that," and he showed me where his travelling expenses were paid. He then said, "I think it is for Stratton's crooked piece of business."

Q. For what? A. Said it was for Stratton; it was a crooked piece of business.

Q. What day was this? A. On the 22nd day of January. After returning from Miss Dickson with that cheque.

Q. Did you say anything about that? A. No.

Q. In answer to what he said? A. No, I did not say anything. We did not discuss it. I thought it was good to be Stratton to get \$2,000 for nothing.

Q. Did you see Mr. Hall after that? A. Yes, pretty much.

Q. You got on with him very well? A. Oh yes.

Q. Did he complain about being dismissed? A. Yes, he felt indignation about what he had done for the family; he enumerated what he had done financially and otherwise and felt pretty bad, and told me they went back on him, men that were his worst enemies, and he referred to Mr. Stratton as one of them.

By Mr. STRATTON:

Q. Which Stratton? A. Yourself, sir.

By Mr. MATHESON:

Q. Was Mr. Hall a candidate for election? A. Yes.

Q. He was a Reform candidate for the Dominion? A. Yes, something of that sort.

Q. He was defeated? A. Yes.

Q. Twice? A. I don't know, I don't take any interest in politics.

Q. Did he take credit for getting this money? A. Yes, he said they would miss him, that it was through his influence that this \$4,000 was got, and that the new man would have little influence with him in getting as much.

Q. Did you tell him about your leaving the Company's employment? A. Yes, I told him.

Q. Did you ask him about getting any statement to see the result? A. I went to work and talked about the business; he could not get the statement; it was slow in coming, he said.

Q. He could not get the Company's statement? A. Well, about that time, about the 1st of November after leaving, I said, "Mr. Hall, you will not get the benefit of the \$4,000"; it would not show up to his credit, it came in January, and I said it was only \$2,000.

Q. How do you make that out? A. Well, \$2,000 for Mr. McGill, would leave only \$2,000 to the credit of the year's business.

Q. But they credit \$4,000? A. Yes, but you see, if \$2,000 is taken away it would leave \$2,000.

Q. Did you discuss this with him? A. Yes.

Q. What did he say it was for? A. He said it was not for McGill, that it was for J. R.

Q. What did he mean by J. R.? A. J. R. Stratton, and I said, "He don't deserve it in the way he treated you." He did not reply to that.

Q. Did you discuss it with Eakins at all? A. Yes sometime on in February. The annual statement was produced, and with Mr. Hall we were talking it over, and I was handling that statement and showed that an expenditure of \$8,000 on creeks and creek improvements was charged entirely to that year's revenue. I thought that was wrong, and wrong entirely.

Q. You did not think it was a fair statement? A. Not to charge improvements to that year's revenue when they were good for ten years.

Q. Did Eakins talk? A. Yes, he dropped in about the time we were analyzing it, and he said "What have you been doing?" I said, "Talking about Mr. Hall's expenses last year with the year previous," and the \$4,000 was referred to, and I said that it would not show up, and \$4,000 would not be to his credit, and Mr. Eakins reminded him that it was only \$2,000, and he said, "if I was there it would be more than \$2,000," and the matter dropped. We talked over other matters and went outside, me and Mr. Eakins, and I still felt with Mr. Hall about Mr. Stratton, and said he was not deserving of it, to which Eakins said he was not. I discussed other matters of the same nature, and that is about the whole of it.

Mr. MATHESON—This is a very serious thing.

Mr. LATCHFORD—Serious for this gentleman who has witnesses against him.

By Mr. MATHESON: Q. You feel satisfied that these statements are correct? A. Yes, sir.

By Mr. LATCHFORD: Q. Even to damning the members of the Company? A. Yes, one of them for the propositions he made to me. The most crooked proposals.

Q. When you say damn them, whom do you intend to include? A. One individual of that Company.

Q. Who is it? A. His name was Wm. Davidson. He was assistant manager.

Q. You damn him now and I suppose you damned him then? A. Yes, that is true. I could not say otherwise.

Q. During how many years. A. Well, for several years, and the manager before me did the same.

Q. During how many years have you been damning this man? A. I just used this expression.

Q. Yes, I am glad you did. It shows what kind of a man I am dealing with. A. Well, it does not show what kind of a man you are dealing with. I do not use it to everybody.

Q. You do, on your oath, before a Committee of Parliament. You have done it? A. On that individual.

Q. And others? A. Well, yes, I have not kept a record. He deserves it.

Q. Not filled with charity and good-will towards that individual member? You would like to get even with him? A. Yes.

Q. You are a friend of Mr. Stratton? A. Am I.

Q. Well, is he? A. I do not know anything about their standing. I am not mixed up with their social standing. I do not know anything about that.

Q. Now why have you such ill feeling towards this man? A. Why, because he is not a man at all.

Q. Is that the reason you object to him? A. Yes, if you want to verify it go and ask the people in Peterborough.

Q. When did you first give information about this cheque? A. When did I first give information about it? I talked about it at the time of the occurrence; it was around

Q. To whom? A. Different people. I cannot recollect them. I talked the matter over with Eakins.

Q. Where first? A. In Peterborough.

Q. When first? A. Some time in February.

Q. About what date? A. February, or March. I did not take any record in February or March of 1901.

Q. At what place? A. I do not know whether it was in the street or the Hall store.

Q. At what time of the day? A. I cannot tell when. A. It was in the day-time.

Q. And you do not know where? Who were present besides yourselves? A. No one present.

Q. Did you talk it over with Eakins after that? A. I do not remember about discussing that \$4,000 cheque with him any more.

Q. Did you at any time before that occasion? A. Of the \$4,000 before the time I spoke to him?

Q. Yes, before that time in Peterborough. A. No, I did not speak to him about it at any other time.

Q. Simply on this occasion. You do not know when or where. Did you speak about the \$2,000 cheque. A. Yes.

Q. Where? A. On the street.

Q. When. A. When coming out of Hall's store with Eakins.

Q. When was that? A. That was some time after the annual statement was submitted.

Q. When was that? A. Some time in February. About the middle of February I think, after that 22nd of January.

Q. And before what time? A. It was after the annual statement was submitted. That is how I base my memory.

Q. We have it after the 22nd of January, and after the annual statement. Was it before March? A. I would not say before March.

Q. Before April? Yes before April.

Q. In the daytime or at night? A. In the daytime.

Q. Morning or afternoon? A. I could not tell that.

Q. Anyone present? A. No, we do not talk those things with others. We would not discuss them if anyone else was present.

Q. Had Eakins been in Hall's store with you? A. Yes.

Q. Both came out together? A. Yes.

Q. Did you speak of \$2,000 to Eakins any time or before that occasion. A. No.

Q. That was the one occasion. A. Yes.

Q. You assumed that he had been paid the \$2,000? A. I did not assume it.

Q. Do you assume it? A. No, I don't assume anything.

Q. Do you believe that he was paid? A. I do not believe anything at all.

Q. Do you believe anything was paid? A. Don't know anything about it.

Q. What do you know about it? A. I know that there was that cheque made in January 1901, made for the sum of \$2,000 payable to Mr. McGill, and that it went to the President to be signed.

Q. You said it was good to be Mr. McGill. A. Yes, I did the same day after the cheque was issued.

Q. You said it was good to be Stratton? A. No, I thought that.

Q. Who were present when this took place besides yourselves—and you thought at the time that he was getting \$2,000. A. Yes.

Q. And you thought so since? A. Yes.

Q. And you thought it at the time you gave the information on which this investigation is based? A. I did not give this information.

Q. Very well then, I was asking you who were present with you at this conversation with the bookkeeper? A. There were several people around. I did not take notice. The people who just work around there.

Q. Who was there at the time? A. I do not know, when we talked that over, that anybody was there.

Q. There may have been? A. Yes.

Q. Do you remember anyone who was? A. No.

Q. No witnesses again? A. No witnesses; there would not be any witnesses in matters of that kind.

Q. Then you talked it with Mr. Hall? When? A. Talked what?

Q. The \$4,000 for the cheque. A. We talked it often.

Q. And the \$2,000 business? A. Well that was only referred to, I think, once.

Q. How did that reference come about? A. I spoke to him about the showing of that year's operations. That was the point.

Q. You did not think the \$8,000 charged should be put in the year it was paid out? A. Oh, yes, charged up, but not to that year's revenue.

Q. You did object to that? A. Yes, being charged to the year's revenue.

Q. You thought it ought not to be charged to money they got during that year? A. I was talking to Mr. Hall when we were discussing this matter.

Q. And you thought it should not be charged up in that year against the revenue of that year? A. That's it. When I first discussed that with Mr. Hall it was in the matter of that \$4,000 and I said he would not get the benefit as it was not received in the year he had made the expenditure.

Q. Or in the year of his management? A. Yes. I said it was only \$2,000 anyway.

Q. Why? A. Because McGill got a cheque for \$2,000.

Q. Would it surprise you to know that McGill got no such cheque? A. I would not be surprised at all.

Q. Would it surprise you to know that no one got such a cheque? A. I may tell you — —

Q. Would it surprise you to know that? A. No.

Q. Then you would not be surprised to learn that not one cent had been paid for political purposes out of that \$4,000? Would you be surprised? A. Yes.

Q. Because you always acted on the other assumption? A. Only as it was laid out before me.

Q. The fact remains that you acted on the assumption? A. The principles were there that led me to believe so?

Q. And you believe so now? A. Yes, I believe it now.

Q. That \$2,000 was paid for political purposes? A. Yes.

Q. And it is on that that you came here? A. I have been summoned here for that purpose.

Q. To prove the payment of \$2,000? And you are doing it? A. So far as I can do so.

Q. You have been reckless in your statements? A. How?

Q. About the limits to start with. You have been on those limits? A. No sir.

Q. In all your years of management? A. Yes.

Q. On any part of them? A. No.

Q. Yet you know the limits? A. Yes, that is no new thing.

Q. How do you know as to the value? You were never on them and you swear as to their value. A. I have figured the value.

Q. Without knowing what pine was on them? You must have something to work on if you have never seen them? A. Yes, of course. That is the way you do these things.

Q. You state that they were bought for \$270,000. From whom? A. From the Bendon & Rathbun Company.

Q. When? A. About 1888 or 1889.

Q. Were you with the company at that time? A. Yes.

Q. You estimated the cost of these improvements before they were made and you put them at \$7,000? A. About that.

Q. You do not dispute they cost \$8,100 odd, do you? A. No.

Q. You admit that; and when was this conversation when you said that he got only \$2,000, and that only \$2,000 was received out of it? A. We were discussing the annual statement and working out things relating to it, and in this was the \$4,000. That was some time in February or March. Eakins, he talked of the \$2,000 and he reminded Mr. Hall of it.

Q. Then he was present at that discussion? You swore a moment ago that you did not discuss it in Hall's presence? No I did not.

Q. And now you say that Hall did ask Eakins a question in your presence in regard to the \$2,000. A. Eakins reminded him.

Q. Hall was not there? A. He was in the same day.

Q. Then you talked it over inside in the store and outside on the street? A. Yes.

Q. Do you remember telling me that it took place on the street and no one was present? A. Yes.

Q. And that it was the only conversation with Eakins? A. It was a continuation of the same in the store, that you talk of. We walked away from Hall and went away together.

Q. And what was said in the store, Hall and Eakins being present. A. We discussed the annual statement.

Q. In the store, Hall, Eakins and you being present? Anyone else? A. Not in the store, not at that part.

Q. What part of the store? A. Down at the end of his tailor shop where it used to be.

Q. What was said at that time? A. We were discussing what was charged and I asked him why different parts of the expenditure were more than previous

years comparing them with other years, and Hall said that he did not get \$4,000, and that \$2,000 was charged up to the year, and Mr. Eakins is talking of the \$4,000 referred to it as being only \$2,000.

Q. Yes, what was said? A. He said he could have got another \$2,000 if he had been manager.

Q. Who? A. Hall if he had been manager.

Q. What more was said then? A. Nothing more said about that. We went out and were discussing the thing on the street. I said to Eakins that it was Stratton got that \$2,000 and he did not deserve it.

Q. Did you damn Stratton? A. No.

Q. Are you accustomed to damning people? A. Once in a while.

Q. How long did you speak on the street? A. I could not tell you that. It was only in a general conversation.

Q. And no one present? A. No.

Q. Did you make any note? A. Only in my mind.

Q. Did you speak to any one about it at the time? A. No.

Q. When did you speak first about it? A. About what?

Q. This \$2,000. A. I talked with several people, but only talked this matter over with one or two others.

Q. With whom first?

By Mr. MISCAMPBELL:

Q. It is not an important matter.

Mr. LATCHFORD.—I think it is; I want to trace it up.

Q. With whom first? A. I think I talked to young Hall.

Q. What is his name? A. Dickson Hall.

Q. Where? A. In his store.

Q. Was that about the same time as the other time? A. Yes it was about the same time.

Q. Anyone present? A. No.

Q. Did you speak to anyone else? A. No, I don't remember anyone else.

Mr. WALDEN recalled.—

Examined by Mr. LATCHFORD.—

Q. You have been sworn? You have heard Duignan's evidence about your telephoning, calling up Mr. Hall on the telephone. A. Yes.

Q. And telling him that the \$4,000 had arrived? A. I did not tell him over the phone.

Q. Did you have any such telephonic communications as he has referred to? A. No.

Q. Did you say to make out a cheque to McGill for \$2,000 in his presence? A. I do not remember.

Q. Did you hear what Duignan said in regard to the alleged conversation after returning from seeing Miss Dickson? A. It is not right. The reason I know, is that I did not come back to the office when he said I came. I was in the office again much later, but did not come back only for a few minutes.

Q. He swore that you said "It is good to be McGill and get \$2,000." A. It is fancy. I do not remember anything of the kind.

Q. And that it was Stratton's crooked piece of business? A. I do not remember anything of the kind.

By Mr. STRATTON.—

Q. As a matter of fact you never did say anything of the kind? A. I never had a conversation of the kind and cannot say anything about it.

By Mr. MATHESON.—

Q. How did you tell Mr. Hall? A. At the Ontario Bank. I said that it had come. He was there.

Q. When did you write the cheque for McGill? A. I do not remember.

Q. Your memory is convenient. You are forgetting a good deal. Is there telephonic communication at all with Mr. Hall? A. Yes.

Q. So that it is possible to telephone to him. A. Yes.

Q. And do you swear that you did not telephone? A. Not about that. I did not.

Q. Do you swear that you don't remember this cheque for McGill? A. I do not remember at all.

Q. So that you might have written it. The stub is in your handwriting and the probability is that you wrote the cheque? A. It may have been.

Q. You do not remember that transaction at all? A. I do not.

Q. And you do not remember and yet you can distinctly remember that at the same time and the same day you did not telephone to Hall about that cheque. You remember that you did not telephone at all to him. A. I did not. Mr. Hall had nothing to do with the business at that time.

Q. Do you swear now at this time that you did not telephone a year ago. A. He was not in the business then, so what would I swear to.

Q. Not about the \$4,000? A. No, I did not.

Q. Where did you see him the first time? A. In the Ontario Bank.

Q. Did you go there to meet him? A. No, I just saw him in the Ontario Bank.

Q. How do you remember the details? A. I remember I had to go and find out if the cheque was right before I used it.

Q. You do not remember the cheque at all, the \$2,000 cheque? A. I don't remember that.

Q. Did you never hear talk afterwards? A. No.

A. Never heard it mentioned by anybody? A. No.

Q. Did you not account for it to anybody? A. Never.

Q. Does the auditor examine your books? A. Yes.

By Mr. STRATTON.—

Q. Was that cheque issued? A. No.

Q. Could any moneys be paid from your company without your knowledge and consent? A. Not without my knowledge.

Q. And you swear that moneys could not possibly be paid without your knowledge? A. Yes.

Q. And as a matter of fact no moneys were paid? A. No, no moneys were paid.

By Mr. MATHESON.—

Q. Mr. Walden, are you in the habit of depositing the men's cheques, the cheques of the company? A. Sometimes.

Q. A man comes in, say, one of your workmen, and you issue a cheque in his name, get him to endorse it and give him the cash? A. Yes, and give the bank credit for the cheque; that is often done.

By Mr. STRATTON.—

Q. I want you to be positive, Mr. Walden, with regard to the matter. The \$4,000 received by the company went to the credit of the company and no moneys could possibly be paid without your knowledge regarding the business, and as a matter of fact no moneys were paid except for the cash purchases and supplies of the business, salaries of officials? A. No.

Q. And no money could possibly escape from the company in any manner, shape or form without your knowledge? A. No.

Q. Have you seen this cheque at any time? A. I do not remember.

By Mr. MATHESON:

Q. Was Duignan in the office when you came back from the bank? A. Not until the afternoon about five o'clock; I go to dinner from the bank.

Q. Are you sure in this particular case? A. I deposit between eleven and twelve o'clock.

Q. Do you go to Miss Dickson on the way to the bank? A. She lives between the office and the bank.

Q. And you went there to make a deposit of the \$4,000 cheque. Did you speak to her about the \$2,000? A. I don't remember anything about it.

Q. You have a most extraordinary lapse of memory. If it was not for that stub you would be prepared to swear you never issued it? A. I would, and I would have had no hesitation in doing so.

Mr. STRATTON: (To Mr. MATHESON): If you think that there is anything in this cheque, why do you not ask to have all the books of the Company brought here again?

Mr. MISCAMPBELL: The cash blotter was not here.

Mr. WALDEN: Yes, it was here; all of them were here.

Mr. LATCHFORD: Yes, they were all brought here.

The CHAIRMAN: They were all here on the table.

Mr. STRATTON: (To Mr. DUIGNAN): How long were you in the service of the Company? A. About eighteen years.

Q. Are you aware of any crooked transaction I have ever had? A. No, not as first, second or third party I am not.

Mr. EAKINS recalled:

By Mr. LATCHFORD:

Q. You have been sworn? You have heard the witness Duignan in reference to a conversation which he says he had with you when the annual statement was presented in 1901, in regard to \$2,000. Did you hear his evidence? He says there was a conversation in Hall's store between you when you were present with Mr. Hall and Duignan? A. I do not remember any such conversation.

Q. Did you ever talk to him about receiving only \$2,000, or to Mr. Hall? A. Well, I would not receive anything.

Q. About the Company receiving only \$2,000? A. I don't remember.

Q. Did he ever speak to you in Duignan's presence or any other time about getting only \$2,000 for those works? A. No.

Q. Do you remember being in Hall's store when Duignan says you did talk about that after you came out? A. If there was any such conversation, I don't remember it.

By Mr. STRATTON:

Q. I think I asked you before if you ever contributed any money to political funds, and you answered no? A. Yes, that is so.

Q. Do you know of any moneys contributed by the Dickson Company for political purposes? A. No.

Q. And never heard of any \$2,000 being paid for any purposes other than those described or of any moneys diverted? A. No.

Q. By Mr. MATHESON:

Q. I want you to be distinctly certain. Is it possible that these conversations may have taken place? A. I do not remember that it did.

Q. You will not swear that they did not take place? A. Not to my knowledge.

Q. Not in connection with anything of this kind? A. No.

Mr. GEORGE LINTON, called and sworn:

By Mr. MATHESON:

Q. You are with the foreman in the woods? A. Clerk and book-keeper.

By Mr. STRATTON:

Q. The information came to the Committee that Mr. Eakins pays you over sums of money in lumps of \$5,000, \$6,000, \$7,000 and \$8,000? A. Yes, I have the book covering the whole thing.

Q. You might hand it to Mr. Matheson? (Witness did so).

Q. The moneys paid to you by Eakins were applied to what purpose?

A. Applied to the men who were due money and for supplies at the camp.

Q. Could it escape for political purposes? A. Not unless I gave it myself.

Q. Did you ever give any for such purposes? A. No sir.

Q. Were you asked to give any? A. No.

Q. Did you volunteer any? A. No.

By Mr. LATCHFORD:

Q. In the season of 1900-01, you received a lot of money? A. Yes.

Q. How much? A. \$16,000.

Q. And paid it out for the purposes of the Company? A. Yes sir.

Q. And you entered all these payments in your books? A. I did.

Q. And in the books produced? A. Yes, in that book.

By Mr. MATHESON:

Q. Do you measure the logs at all? A. No sir.

Q. You are simply in the office I suppose? A. Yes sir.

Q. Did you ever see and other lumbermen's logs coming down these slides on Stony Creek? A. No sir.

The Committee then adjourned.

COLONIZATION ROADS.

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE.

March 5th, 1902.

HENRY SMITH, called, sworn:

Examined by Mr. MATHESON:

Q. You are Superintendent of Colonization Roads? A. Yes.

Q. You produced this statement of expenditure in each riding? A. Yes.

Q. This paper here? (Exhibiting document) A. Yes.

Q. It is correct? A. It is correct so far as I know—subject to corrections.

Mr. MATHESON: I would like to have that statement put in as it is.

Mr. LATCHFORD: There are cases I suppose where a road lies between two constituencies and cases in which a road leads from one constituency into another? A. Yes.

By Mr. STRATTON:

Q. Take Peterboro West, for instance, Buckhorn and Burleigh, \$405.56. Why do you say it is in Peterboro West; it is as much in East as in West Peterboro? A. I think I have covered that by the statement I have made in the note in putting in the statement, because it is simply impossible for me to know.

Q. You say Silver Lake and Union Creek; that is as much in West Peterboro as in East Victoria. Why in one? A. The note I have given will explain that.

Q. Is it not just as correct to put it in one as in the other? It is on the boundary line? A. I think I have settled that in my note.

Q. Somerville and Galway; it is in the same position exactly? A. I think the note I made was intended to cover these things.

Q. White Lake and Gooderham is not in West Peterboro at all; it is in East Victoria. Do you know where it is? A. It is really in East Victoria; it commences at the one and is entirely in the other.

By Mr. MATHE-ON :

Q. Mr. Smith, although a road runs through two constituencies the expenditure is generally made in one of them? A. It is certainly made in one or the other.

Q. It is on that basis that you make your division? A. No, it is the township in which it is made so far as I can gather.

Q. Sometimes an expenditure is made running through four or five townships; it begins in one constituency and ends in another? A. There might be two miles in one constituency and three miles in another.

Q. It is very hard for you to say where the most of the money or where the whole of the money was spent. In certain cases the roads are boundary lines? A. In very many cases. Many of them are on boundary lines and they are not in constituencies at all, or what you call electoral districts. It is very hard to give the thing in an absolutely correct way.

THE CHAIRMAN: I suppose it is impossible to tell what constituency the money is spent in where roads run right through? A. In all cases, yes.

By Mr. LATCHFORD:

Q. How is it that you omitted South Lanark from this list? A. I think Lanark includes north and south.

Q. You put it down in the summary as North, and there were certainly works in South Lanark, last year, but they do not appear at all? A. It is all in Lanark.

Q. It is most unfair to Mr. Matheson, is it not? (No answer)

Q. Dont you think you had better take this in and revise it in view of what has appeared in West Peterboro and South Lanark? Perhaps by to-morrow you can look over the list again and revise it. A. All right.

THE DICKSON LUMBER COMPANY.

RICHARD HALL recalled.

By Mr. LATCHFORD:

Q. Do you remember the occasion, Mr. Hall, on which the cheque was received from the Ontario Government? A. Yes sir.

Q. Now, do you remember any conversation with the bookkeeper in regard to that cheque? A. I do; That is the only means I had of knowing that the cheque had come.

Q. Do you know when that conversation took place? A. I could not say to a day. I do not know how long Mr. Walden held the cheque in his possession.

Q. Where did it take place? A. In the Ontario Bank.

Q. At Peterboro? A. Yes.

Q. Can you tell us what was said? A. Mr. Walden asked me what account it should go in. I simply told him the general account. That is all the conversation we had about it. I was not in the employ of the Dickson Company at the time, but I had been the means of getting the grant. He met me in the bank and asked what account it should go in; I told him the general account.

Q. Now, it has been sworn here, I may tell you, that on the day on which that cheque was received at Peterboro, the 22nd January, 1901, you were telephoned to by Mr. Walden from the office of the company; is that correct? A. No sir.

Q. Did you telephone him? A. No sir, I did not, I was not in the employ of the company.

Q. Had you any conversation with him about the cheque prior to seeing him at the bank? A. No sir.

Q. By telephone or otherwise? A. No sir.

Q. Then you met at the bank and he spoke to you about the cheque? A. Yes sir.

Q. You did not authorize Walden by telephone to issue a cheque in favor of McGill? A. I did not; I had no authority to do so.

Q. You were not employed by the company at the time? A. No sir.

Q. And you had ceased to be connected with the company in the December previous? A. Yes.

Q. I suppose it was of some interest to know that the cheque had been received? A. It was, after my applying for it.

Q. You had applied for it? A. Yes.

Q. You had expected to receive it? A. Yes.

Q. And you were glad to know it had been received? A. Yes.

Q. The witness Duignan says in effect, not stating his exact words, that after the annual statement for the Dickson Company had been presented in 1901, he had a conversation with you in your store in the presence of Mr. Eakins; do you remember any such conversation? A. No, I do not.

Q. Well, did you say then or at any other time that the company was getting only \$2,000 out of that \$4,000? A. I did not.

Q. Did anyone say that in your presence, that there was only \$2,000 available? A. No sir, never heard it.

By Mr. STRATTON:

Q. Did Mr. Eakins have any other business with your company except the woods business? A. Yes, he looked after the logs after they came down to the mill.

Q. That is the woods business? A. Yes, that is his work altogether.

By Mr. LATCHFORD:

Q. This man Duignan said you felt indignant—I asked him if you complained about being dismissed? A. I was not dismissed; I resigned.

Q. You felt indignant about what had been done for the family? A. Not at all.

Q. "He enumerated," he said of you, "what he had done financially and otherwise, and felt pretty bad; and told me they went back on him, men that were his worst enemies, and he referred to Mr. Stratton as one of them; "is there any truth in that statement? A. No sir.

Q. Then he said: "Well, about that time, about the 1st November after leaving, I said 'Mr. Hall, you will not get the benefit of the \$4,000'; it would not show up to his credit, it came in January, and I said it was only \$2,000." "Did he take credit for getting this money," I asked him, and he answered, "Yes, he said they would miss him that it was through his influence that this \$4,000 was got, and that the new man would have little influence with him in getting as much." Had you any such conversation with Duignan? A. Not to my knowledge at all.

Q. Then I asked him, "Did you ask him about getting any statements to see the result," and he replied, "He could not get the statement, it was slow in coming, he said." That is, you could not get the company's statement? A. I never asked for one.

Q. Then he said, "About the 1st November after leaving I said 'Mr. Hall, you will not get the benefit of the \$4,000,' it would not show up to his credit, it came in January, and I said it was only \$2,000." Did he make any such statement? A. Not to me.

Q. At any time? A. Not to me.

Q. His answer is, "\$2,000 for McGill would leave only \$2,000 to the credit of the year's business." Had Duignan anything to do with the negotiations for this \$4,000 at all, for the grant towards improvements on these waters? A. Not the first thing; Mr. Eakins had.

Q. He says then : " I dropped in about the time we were analyzing this statement." Do you remember any analysis of that statement taking place between you and Duignan ? A. Not at all ; I had nothing to do with the company.

Q. You were not a member of the company at that time, and Duignan was not employed by the company ? A. I was not employed then but Duignan was employed.

Q. He says that this statement was made in February, 1901. He ceased to be employed on January 23rd ? A. Yes.

Q. As I understand his evidence he was discussing the annual statement with you in your store ? A. I never got one.

Q. Who prepared the annual statement ? A. Mr. Walden.

Q. Not Duignan ? A. Not to my knowledge ; he never did.

Q. He goes on to say, " Eakins dropped in about the time we were analyzing it and said, ' What have you been doing ; ' I said, ' Talking about Mr. Hall's expenses last year with the year previous, ' and the \$4,000 was referred to, and I said that it would not show up and \$4,000 would not be to his credit, and Mr. Eakins reminded him that it was only \$2,000. He said, ' If I was there it would be more than \$2,000.' " Did you say that ? A. No sir, I had nothing to do with it.

Q. At any time or place had you any conversation with this man Duignan about this \$2,000 ? A. No sir, I did not.

Q. Or about any sum of \$2,000 ? A. No.

Q. Before we drop him, what is his disposition, what is the disposition of Duignan ? A. I do not want to express an opinion.

Q. You have noticed his odd ways ? A. Sometimes ; I would not like to say anything personal against him.

Mr. MATHESON ; He stuck up for you yesterday. A. Yes.

By Mr. LATCHFORD.—

Q. Did you ever at any time say to any person that the company had received only \$2,000 out of this grant ? A. No sir.

Q. The fact is otherwise as you understand it ? A. Yes.

Q. As the books show ? A. Yes.

Q. Was any payment of \$2,000 made to your knowledge at any time out of that \$4,000 ? A. Not to my knowledge

Q. Of any sum out of that \$4,000 ? A. Not while I had anything to do with it.

Q. Was there any arrangement that there should be anything of the kind done ? A. Not to my knowledge.

Q. You had been manager of the company up to December ? A. Yes.

Q. The name of W. A. Stratton was mentioned as seeing you about preparing an affidavit ; is that correct ? A. Yes.

Q. How did that come about ? A. I understood that the grant had been passed ; I asked him to draw up an affidavit, and went over to the office and got it.

Q. Any politics in that conversation ? A. No.

Q. Acting as solicitor for you ? A. Yes ; he does quite a lot of my business.

By Mr. MATHESON.—

Q. You said just now that Mr. Eakins had to do with getting the grant ? A. Yes.

Q. In addition to yourselves ? A. Yes ; he accompanied me at the time.

Q. You being president of the Company and he being foreman in the woods ? A. Yes.

Q. Had anybody else anything to do with getting it ? A. Not to my knowledge. I asked Mr. Stratton and Mr. Latchford.

Q. No other member of the Company had anything to do with it ? A. No

Q. Did the other members of the Company know about it ? A. Not until I told them I had applied for it.

Q. Did Mr. Walden know about it? A. Not at the time I don't think.

Q. When did he first know about it? A. I cannot say; I came up personally and applied.

Q. When did you come up? A. Sometime in June or July, 1899 I do not remember the exact date.

Q. It may have been a little later? A. It might have been.

Q. Do you remember the date of Mr. Hazlitt's funeral? A. Yes; he was my brother-in-law.

Q. Was it about that time you thought of it first? A. I could not say.

Q. When did you think of it—what put it into your head to apply for this grant? A. The expense that we were at in building the dam.

Q. That is sometime between July and October, 1899? A. Yes.

Q. What had Mr. Eakins to do with it? A. He superintended the work.

Q. You say he had to do with getting the grant? A. He accompanied me.

Q. Did he accompany you to Toronto? A. Yes.

Q. And you arranged that it should be given. Did you get a promise of the money? A. We did not get a promise at all; did not know until we saw it in the Estimates. I applied for \$5,000 and found out it was only \$4,000.

Q. You were not certain until then? A. We were not certain until it was passed.

Q. That would be in March or April, 1900? A. Yes.

Q. It was in the Supplementaries, was it not? A. I do not remember now; I saw it in a newspaper item.

Q. Did you tell anybody at the time that you saw it in the newspaper?
A. No.

Q. Did you discuss it with any members of the Company. A. I do not know.

Q. With Miss Dickson? A. No, I had very little to do with Miss Dickson.

Q. Not at that time? A. No.

Q. Did you tell the book-keeper then? A. I did not tell him at the time.

Q. Were you in the habit of going to the office every day? A. I was while I was in the employ of the Company; went every morning.

Q. You were in the employ of the Company from March 1900, until Christmas 1900. During all that time did you never speak of it in the office? A. I do not remember speaking of it.

Q. Will you swear that you never spoke of it? A. Never spoke of it?

Q. Yes? A. No.

Q. Will you swear you did not mention it to Mr. Walden at that time?
A. I mentioned it to him at the time I got the papers prepared.

Q. When was that? A. Mr. Stratton prepared them.

Q. When was that—you made the affidavit about 16th November 1900?
A. Yes.

Q. At the time you got the papers prepared you did mention it to Mr. Walden? A. Yes, I mentioned that Mr. Stratton was preparing the papers, and he sent them over.

By Mr. STRATTON:

Q. You might have casually mentioned it to some members of the firm?
A. I might have done so.

Q. No reason for keeping it secret? A. No.

By Mr. MATHESON:

Q. You might have mentioned it to Mr. Walden, he being the bookkeeper, and you in the office every day; it was very natural thing to do? A. Yes.

Q. And you think you did? A. I may have done so.

Q. Did you talk it over with him afterwards? A. After he got the cheque.

Q. After he sent the papers? A. I do not remember talking to him at all.

Q. Although not the manager your children have some interest in the company, have they not? A. Yes.

Q. And I suppose you look after their interests? A. No; they are able to look after their own.

Q. They are grown up? A. Oh yes; one is living in Montreal.

Q. Of the members of the company, whom do you consider deserve credit for getting the grant from the government? A. Of getting the money?

Q. Yes? A. I guess I can take the credit for that.

Q. You would naturally feel anxious to know whether it came or not? A. I was not very anxious; I was out of their employ altogether.

Q. You would like to know if your negotiations had succeeded? A. I knew that when Mr. Walden said the cheque had come.

Q. I suppose you would ask if the cheque had come? A. I may have done so, but not after I left the business. I was never in the office but once afterwards.

Q. Didn't you ask Mr. Walden about it as to whether the cheque had arrived or not at any time after you left the Company? A. I may have done so.

Q. You have a telephone between your store and the Company's office. A. Yes.

Q. You have been in the habit of telephoning occasionally? A. When I was in the employ of the Company I did so.

Q. And after you left their employ, you occasionally asked, didn't you? A. Not over the telephone.

Q. Will you swear you did not telephone at that time? A. Yes, I had absolutely nothing to do with it.

Q. You were on good terms with Mr. Walden? A. Oh certainly everyone in town.

Q. I suppose it is possible he may have telephoned to you; you would not like to swear a year afterwards that he did not telephone you on a certain date. It is possible he may have done so? A. Not on that matter; I do not think he ever did.

Q. How did he happen to mention it to you? A. He came into the bank the first I saw of him. I did not see the cheque until then.

Q. He consulted you as to what he should do with it, in view of your knowledge as former manager? A. Yes.

Q. What did you say to him? A. "Put it in the regular account."

Q. Did you say anything to him about Mr. McGill that day? A. No.

Q. Something was said about Mr. McGill having a claim against the Company for insurance? A. So he has.

Q. How old is it? A. It was in Mr. Hazlitt's time, before I had anything to do with it.

Q. How long were you manager? A. About a year and a few months; I think it was from June 1899 to December 1900.

Q. How old is this account for insurance; is it ten years old? A. It is more than ten years old.

Q. All of it is in the neighborhood of ten years old? A. I do not know.

Q. You know the affairs of the Company; you were manager? A. I left everything to Mr. Walden.

Q. You knew of this claim? A. Yes.

Q. You know it was an old claim, over six years old? A. I do not know how old.

Q. You would not swear it was over six years old? A. I do not know.

Q. What reason would there be for giving Mr. McGill a cheque for \$2,000? A. I do not know.

Q. You know of no reason whatever? A. Not except it would be in settlement of this account.

Q. Did you get any of this money, Mr. Hall? A. No, I am sorry to say, no; I did not look for any; I did my duty.

Q. You deserve all the credit? A. A good deal.

Q. When Mr. W. A. Stratton asked for this statement which was necessary to get the grant, whom did you tell to make it out? A. Mr. Eakins.

Q. It was left in the office? A. Yes.

Q. It was given to Mr. Walden as book-keeper? A. He had charge of it.

Q. Didn't you constantly inquire if this cheque had not arrived? A. No sir, not constantly at all.

Q. Did you inquire at all? A. I may have inquired; it was so long coming.

Q. Pretty slow pay, this Government? A. Pretty slow pay, but they were sure.

Q. Was any money ever transferred from the credit of the company at Peterboro' to the credit of the company at Toronto? A. Not to my knowledge.

Q. Not while you were there? A. No.

Q. Did you ever hear of any such thing being done? A. No, it was kept in the Peterboro' branch altogether.

Q. Why did Mr. Walden write out a cheque to Mr. McGill? A. I do not know.

Q. Who would give him instructions to do it? A. I was not in their employ at all at the time.

Q. Who would give Mr. Walden instructions of any kind as to the payments? A. In the business.

Q. Yes? A. He would issue them himself.

Q. Supposing there was a large payment of \$2,000 to be made, was he manager to that extent that he could issue a cheque for that amount? A. He could write it.

Q. Would not somebody tell him to write them? A. I do not think so. Mr. Eakins would come in and say he wanted \$6,000; Walden would write the cheque and take it to the president to get it signed.

Q. Supposing McGill came in and asked for a cheque, who would instruct Walden? A. I do not know that anybody would give a cheque to an outside party for that amount.

Q. Weren't you in your store with Eakins and Duignan? A. They may have come in together. They used to come in and buy supplies from me.

Q. I suppose you discussed with them the result of your management. You would naturally wish a good statement to appear every year, wouldn't you? A. No.

Q. You did not care? A. No, at the end of the year I was satisfied with the statement that was presented; that is, I had confidence in the men in my employment.

Q. You would naturally want the company to have an idea that your management had been good, wouldn't you? A. I would think so.

Mr. STRATTON.—You had a good year's business? A. We had.

By Mr. MATHESON.—Q. Was there complaint made against charging the balance of this \$8,000 against ordinary account? A. Not to my knowledge.

Q. Were you present at the annual meeting? A. No sir.

Q. Were you present at the meeting of the company on 26th December, 1900? A. No sir.

Q. You were not there? A. No.

Q. Did you feel a little sore about leaving? A. I did feel sore about leaving.

Q. Mr. Duignan felt sore too? A. I suppose so.

Q. You always got on well with him? A. With all the men.

Q. You have been a candidate for the Commons; weren't you the Reform candidate for two elections in West Peterboro'? A. To my sorrow.

Q. Could you ever understand how it was that Mr. Stratton could get in by a thousand, and you were defeated, and both Reformers? A. Yes, I could; Mr. Stratton could express himself on the platform and I could not.

Q. Didn't you feel a little sore that he did not get you some of these votes? A. He did very well for me; I give him credit for that.

Q. Have you a good memory, Mr. Hall? A. I think so.

Q. Do you remember getting a cheque from the Government for \$6,800 and over in 1884? A. No, I had nothing to do with the company then. I may have been a director then. I never had anything to do with it at all then; Mr. Hazlitt was manager at that time.

Q. Did anybody get any commission in connection with this grant? A. No sir.

Q. Was anything promised to anyone? A. No sir.

Q. Was there any understanding that anyone should get any? A. No sir.

Q. Did Mr. Hall get anything? A. No sir, I did not get a copper; I am politician enough for that.

Q. And you cannot explain why a cheque should be written out in favor of Mr. McGill for \$2,000? A. I cannot; I never saw it until I saw the stub here.

Q. Although you had been president for a year and a half—you were acting president for a time—you can conceive of no reason why any cheque should be written out for Mr. McGill for \$2,000? A. Yes.

Q. Well, what reason? A. Because the Company owed him an account.

Q. An account about ten years old? A. There was more than one account.

Q. What other accounts? A. An account for furniture; the Seldon Company.

Q. How old would that be? A. About the same time; the Dickson Co. owned the building.

Q. That would be about ten years old too; all these accounts with McGill are about ten years old. I suppose you have had some conversation as to the evidence you would give here? A. No.

By Mr. LATCHFORD:

Q. Mr. Eakins accompanied you to Toronto as a practical man who could explain the nature and probable cost of the works? A. Exactly.

Q. And you were promised consideration in the usual way—the application was promised consideration? A. Certainly.

Q. And you left it at that? A. Yes.

Q. Did you know of the Engineers going down to inspect the work; had you any knowledge of that? A. No, Mr. Eakins attended to that.

Q. Then as I understand you about the grant, you may have mentioned it to the book-keeper but have no recollection of having done so? (No answer).

By Mr. STRATTON:

Q. Who authorized Mr. Stratton to come for that statement? A. I did.

Q. To prepare a statement for the Public Works Department? A. Yes.

By Mr. LATCHFORD:

Q. Had you any other conversation with the book-keeper in regard to that statement that you remember? A. I had with Mr. Eakins.

Q. Had you any with the book-keeper in regard to that statement? A. No.

By Mr. MATHESON:

Q. This statement was sent to the office? A. Mr. Eakins made out the statement and left it in the office with Mr. Walden.

By Mr. LATCHFORD:

Q. Mr. McGill has been connected with your Company, has he not? A. Yes sir, he is a director.

Q. During how many years? A. Four or five years before he left Peterboro.

Q. A sort of advisor? A. Yes, he is now; he does not attend the meetings regularly; if there is anything important he will attend.

Q. He has been the financial manager in a way? A. Yes.

Q. And you were a member of the Company, a stockholder? A. No sir.

Q. Were your wife and children? A. Yes.

Q. But I suppose you could speak as to the disposition of the Company towards Mr. McGill. Would the Company in your judgment think of setting up the statute of limitations against him because the account was ten years old? A. Not at all.

By Mr. MATHESON :

Q. Why did they allow a claim of \$3,000 to stand for ten years? A. If you knew Mr. Hazlett you would know; he put it off. We had a contra account against him.

Q. Did you write to Mr. McGill at any time about this claim of his? A. I never wrote a letter any time I was there. I dictated to my book keeper and never wrote one to Mr. McGill.

By Mr. LATCHFORD :

Q. Was Mr. Poussette acting for your Company as solicitor at any time? A. Yes.

Q. Up to what time? A. Up to a very recent date. He was solicitor when I left the Company in December and for sometime afterwards.

Mr. C. MCGILL, recalled :

By Mr. Latchford :

Q. You have been sworn, Mr. McGill? A. Yes.

Q. I wish to ask you in regard to your position; when did you first become connected with the Company? A. Three or four years ago as a director. I have no interest in the Company. They asked me to come on when Mr. Hazlitt was sick. Shortly before he died, he asked them to get me to come and give them advice in connection with the running of the business, although for twenty-two years I have been more or less connected with them in connection with the bank, helping them along.

Q. I understand there was some liability of the Company to you that you did not press? A. In connection with the bank when I was manager in Peterboro I held the insurance that the Company carried on their lumber at Harwood and Peterboro, and the premiums would run on. They had a contra account with me. There was a suit carried on that the Dickson Company lost. The premiums on the insurance would sometimes run three or four hundred dollars a month. There was enough in it to pay the Dickson Company's premiums and I let it run on until they owed me \$3,000. We then talked about getting settled, but Mr. Hazlitt was always busy.

Q. But you still regard it as a legitimate claim? A. Yes.

Q. Did the Company so recognize it? A. Mr. Hazlitt understood it and Mr. Walden and Mr. Duignan. They asked me to make the account out. I wanted something to satisfy my own claim. I wrote to the Phoenix Co in Montreal to send me a copy. They said they sent their books to the old country every year and would have to send to the old country to get copies and it would be a lot of trouble. I said perhaps we could get it settled without doing that, and if we had to do it we could do that later on. The thing went on. I have a letter here—I thought of it after I gave my evidence the other day,—in connection with this insurance account which I will read to you. It is from the secretary of the Company, and it relates to my account. The letter is as follows:—

PETERBORO, CANADA, 3rd April, 190 .

"DEAR SIR,—The next regular monthly meeting of the board of the Dickson Company should be held on Tuesday the 10th inst., and it is desired if possible to have a meeting on that date or earlier if more convenient to you. Mrs. Hazlitt and her sisters have sent me a communication asking that the Misses Dickson should be elected members of the board, and as that and other matters of importance will be brought up at the first meeting, they particularly ask that you should, if possible, be present. The Misses Dickson propose going away shortly for two or three weeks, and are anxious that this matter should be settled before their departure. Will you kindly let me hear from you on the subject at your earliest convenience.

"Then there are two accounts in the Dickson's Company's books with which you are concerned and which we would like to get adjusted as soon as possible. The one is a debt appearing against you amounting to \$1,047, the charge being made in connection with the Lindsay Seldon business; the other is a special deposit in the bank of \$150 which, if I remember rightly, arose out of the Cummings estate. I understand you have an account against the Company for insurance premiums amounting to a much larger sum than the debit I referred to, and if you could have your account made out, we could have the books squared off which I am sure would be quite as satisfactory to you as to the Company.

Yours truly,

"A. P. POUSSETTE."

"C. MCGILL, Esq.,

Gen. Manager O. B., Toronto.

Q. And that letter was written when Mr. Poussette was acting as secretary and solicitor of the Company? A. Yes.

Q. It recognizes your account?

Mr. MATHESON: It does not recognize it; it speaks of it; it is not a legal acknowledgement.

By Mr. LATCHFORD

Q. So that Mr. Poussette at that time was secretary of the Dickson Company and also their solicitor? A. Yes.

Q. And the letter was written as late as the 3rd April, 1900? A. Yes.

Q. What did that letter indicate to your mind, a recognition of your account? A. Certainly, everybody connected with the Company knows it.

Q. Was there ever any question about it except that you could not be got together to adjust it? A. No. Mr. Hazlitt was dead at the time. He was a hard man to get down to settle anything. He carried on a suit against the Company and they lost money and there was a little soreness.

Q. Apart from that, the money was owed to you, and you believed the Company recognized it? A. Yes. The \$1,047 and the \$150 is bank business; the whole insurance premium would come to me.

By Mr. STRATTON:

Q. What would that amount to? A. To over \$3,000 when we made the final adjustment. I would get the cheque personally for the amount and then there would be a cheque given by the bank for these other amounts.

Q. What would be about the amount due you? A. Something over \$2,000.

Q. As a matter of fact you have not been paid that \$2,000? A. I have not. I have never had any cheque from them any more than \$50 for going to the meetings.

Q. You are manager of the bank here? A. Yes.

Q. And are aware of any business going on between the Company and your bank? A. Certainly, but I do not know the details of the cheques.

Q. Was there any money at any time transferred by the Dickson Co. to your bank here in Toronto? A. No, the cheques given to the Dickson Co. for payment would never come to us, and no money was ever transferred that I know of.

Q. Did you at any time get a cheque for \$2,000? A. No, I never got a cheque for more than \$50 from them at any time.

By Mr. MATHESON:

Q. You have seen the cheques of the Dickson Co? A. I do not understand your question.

Q. For instance, passing through the office you have seen the form of their cheque? A. Yes. It is five or six years since I have been in Peterboro.

Q. How were they payable, to bearer? A. I cannot remember; all the Company's cheques are payable to order.

Q. You would not know if any money of the Dickson Co. had been transferred to the office in Toronto? A. None that I know of.

Q. How old is this account of yours against the Company? A. It has been running for five, six or seven years—more than that.

Q. It is about ten years old? A. It is away back years ago.

Q. Did you ever get any letter except that one which you read, referring to it? A. No, I had conversations with Mr. Hazlitt from time to time, and he would say, "We must get this matter settled." If I went to the Dickson Co. to-morrow and said there was an account for \$2,000—but I do not want them to think I was going to them for money.

Q. Was anything said to you about paying you any cheque in 1901? A. Nothing. There was nothing said. The year before that, after Mr. Hall resigned as president of the Company, I spoke to Mr. Hall. He said before he resigned he should have settled the insurance matter, because Mr. Hazlitt was dead, and I did not want to go to Miss Dickson and have to explain to her an old matter like that. I would rather do the business with a man who understood the business. I spoke about the cheque. I said "There is due \$2,000 coming to me." I said he should not have resigned without getting a matter of that kind straightened up. I said he should not have resigned anyway. I said if he had thought about it he would have fixed it up.

Q. Did you every hear about the cheque that the Company proposed to be written out? A. Never heard until the morning I was called here to give evidence. If I had known there was a cheque there I would have gone and got it, if it had been coming to me.

Q. You take money when you can get it? A. Certainly. I lose a good deal of money on that account in connection with private business.

Q. Still \$2,000 is a considerable amount? A. With people like that I know it was all right. If at any time I had wanted the money I could have got it.

Q. Ten years is a long time to run? A. There were other things to settle and I could get it any time I wanted it. I spoke to Hazlitt and Hall. I had very confidential relations with the company. If I went to them to-morrow and said the Company owed me \$2000, they would give it to me.

Q. They would not plead the statute? A. No, they are not that kind of people.

Q. As far as you know, you have not any acknowledgement? A. No. I went to Peterboro once or twice and tried to get all my papers together. I cannot spare the time to go away. I have lost a good deal of money coming to Toronto because I was connected with many private businesses there.

Q. Did you have any discussion with any member of the Company as to this grant of \$4000? A. Never. Mr. Hall told me they were to get \$4000.

Q. When? A. When he had been up here. He came down to the bank to see me. I said "What have you been doing up here?" He said, "I came to get a grant from the Government for some part of the dams." and he told me then.

Q. That must have been in 1899? A. That is when he had been up here to speak about it.

Q. Did you talk about it after the grant was made? A. No, I saw him very seldom and never had any talk with him.

Q. And you know nothing about it? A. No, I might say, Mr. Walden and Mr. Duignan know there is something owing me for insurance. It is just a matter of my getting my account in

RICHARD HALL recalled:

By Mr. LATCHFORD:

Q. During this conversation that Duignan swears he had with you in your store, he says he discussed the \$2000 with you? A. He never did.

Q. Then he was asked: "What did he say it was for?" He said, "It is not for Mc Gill, that it was for J.R." Did you make that statement? A. No sir, I did not.

Q. Did you say anything to that effect? A. No, I did not.

By Mr. MATHESON:

Q. You do not remember this conversation at all? A. No sir.

Q. Did you ever make that statement to anybody else? A. No sir.

Q. Did you ever speak of J.R. getting anything? A. No sir.

Q. Or any political fund getting anything? A. No sir. I never gave them anything myself.

By Mr. GARROW:

Q. Would it have been true if you had said it? A. No.

Q. Did J.R. get anything? A. No.

JNO. DUIGNAN, recalled:

Examined by Mr. MATHESON:

Q. You have been sworn? A. Yes.

Q. In connection with your evidence in this matter what subpoena did you get; when were you to be here? A. I got the subpoena last Wednesday afternoon.

Q. When did it say you were to be here? A. Thursday, and if not convenient, Tuesday.

Q. You did not come Thursday? A. No.

Q. Were you approached at all in connection with your evidence? A. Yes.

Q. By whom? A. By a man from an agent of Mr. Stratton

Q. On what date? A. Thursday morning.

Q. Who was he? A. John White.

Mr. STRATTON:—What Mr. Stratton? A. Mr. W. A. Stratton.

By Mr. MATHESON:

Q. What did he say? A. He met me as I was passing the station, and he says, "What's this you are into now," and I said, "I got a subpoena to go to Toronto to-day or Tuesday," and he says "W. A. Stratton came to me last night and wanted me to come and use my influence with you to hold back."

Q. What do you mean by "hold back"? A. If I knew anything to keep easy, or something like that.

Q. What did you say? A. I said "I do not know anything and what I do know I am going to tell; if Stratton is innocent it won't hurt him. I am going to tell the truth anyway." So the controversy ended right there.

Q. What are the words? A. He said he went over to my house on Home-wood Avenue and found I did not live there. He drove there. He said he did not know where I had lived, but Stratton told him to come to the train that morning and meet me. I said, "What I have to say I will tell the truth about it."

By the CHAIRMAN:

Q. Have you got a copy of your subpoena with you? A. No, I have not, I left it at Peterborough.

Q. It was in typewriting? A. Yes.

The CHAIRMAN: The intention was to subpoena them all to be here on Thursday except Mr. Eakins.

By Mr. GARROW:

Q. To whom did you first tell this story of yours about the \$2,000? A. I guess to White.

Q. This Mr. White? A. Yes.

Q. When did you tell him? A. Some time last summer.

Q. Who is White? A. He is a friend of mine, a friend that I know very well.

Q. A particular friend of yours? A. Well, I would say — —

Q. A chum? A. Well, I meet him; I walk and talk with him.

Q. Take drinks with him occasionally and all that? A. Yes.

Q. Were you having a drink this time, when he came to you as an agent as you say? A. Having a drink?

Q. The other evening. A. It wasn't evening, it was morning.

Q. On Thursday morning did you have a drink together? A. Does that effect this case any?

Q. It is easy to answer. A. Why do you ask me such questions?

Q. But were you having a drink together? A. No.

Q. The smaller the question, the less injury it will do to answer. You did not have a drink on Thursday morning? A. No.

Q. Were you having a drink together when you first told him about the \$2,000? A. That may be.

Q. Do you remember where you told him? A. Not particularly.

Q. Did you tell anybody else than your chum White? A. I do not remember. Only those people.

Q. Your theory is that the \$2,000 was paid over; that is that there was a cheque to Mr McGill for \$2,000 issued; that is it was written out. You said your suspicion was that it was for J. R.? A. My suspicions were formed on what I heard after the cheque was issued.

Q. What did you hear? A. The cheque was written out there and taken away to be signed by the proper parties.

Q. Do you know that? A. I seen the cheque, it went through in the regular order of business.

Q. You saw the cheque written out and taken away to be signed? A. Yes.

Q. Did you say that the other day? A. I said I turned around and the cheque was written out.

Q. Did you see it taken away? A. I saw it taken away.

Q. Did you see it come back signed? A. No.

Q. You never saw it again? A. No.

Q. What did you hear subsequently. A. Subsequent to what?

Q. You heard something subsequently that confirmed you in your suspicions that it was intended for improper purposes. Tell us what you heard? A. I gave you a history of it yesterday. Do you want the same?

Q. You did not tell us anything improper about it. Tell us, or is the whole thing a fabrication? A. No, it is genuine.

Q. Tell us whom you heard it from? A. Do you want it again?

Q. Yes? A. The whole history of that cheque is this: On the morning of the 22nd January there was a draft or a cheque for \$4,000 came from the Department.

Q. Who did you hear it from? A. What?

Q. That there was a cheque for \$2,000 was intended to be diverted from McGill to J. R. Stratton? A. Mr. Walden.

Q. And only from Walden? A. Then I heard Mr. Hall later. He said it was for J. R.

Q. In the conversation at the store? A. Yes.

Q. And in no other way from anybody else but these two people? A. No.

Q. So that the whole story is based on what you heard from Walden and Hall on the two occasions spoken of? A. Yes.

Q. The first person you spoke to about it was White afterwards? A. Yes.

Q. Did you ever mention it to anybody else? A. I may have, I cannot remember of anyone else. I spoke to White several times about it.

Q. Can you remember anybody else you spoke to about it at all? A. No.

Q. Until you were called here as a witness, had you any communication with Mr. Matheson, for instance? A. No.

Q. With any member of the Opposition in this House? A. No.

Q. Was anybody at Peterboro in connection with them? A. No.

Mr. MATHESON objected to this question.

Q. How did this story get into the hands of the Opposition? A. I do not know anything about it.

Q. You did not tell it to anybody except White that you remember? A. No, I did not.

Q. What does White do? A. White is in the carting business in Peterboro.

Q. He is a carter? Do you mean drives a cart? A. No, he is superintendent of a cartage business there.

Q. Why do you say that he was seen by W. A. Stratton? A. I cannot account for the reason.

Q. The point is, I want to know how you know he came from W. A. Stratton? A. Why, he said so.

Q. Are you sure of that? A. Quite sure.

Q. Quite positive? A. Yes.

Q. This was on the Thursday morning? A. Yes.

Q. Will you repeat again what Mr. White did say on Thursday morning?

A. On Thursday morning he met me and asked me what I had been doing. I said "Oh yes, I have a subpoena to go to Toronto," and he said he had met Mr. Hall and two or three people over at the station and expected to meet me over there with them. And I said, "Well, I am going up," and he talked it over and says, "Mr. W. A. Stratton came for me last night to hunt you up. I was out to your place; you have moved." "Yes, I have moved, and live on Dalhousie St," I said. And he says, "Stratton wants you to come off and if you know any thing not put it up." I said "Anything I know won't hurt Stratton; if he is innocent of any wrongdoing it won't hurt."

Q. He did not ask what you did know? A. No, I dropped him right there. The whole interview did not last more than a couple of minutes. I told him straight I would go up and give my evidence.

By Mr. LATCHFORD:

Q. Is White a man who is often at the station? A. I do not meet him very often at the station.

Q. Is he a man whose business takes him often to the station? A. I never saw him there at that hour before. I believe I have seen him there a couple of times, not at those hours.

Q. Does he cart from the station? A. Yes but that was before station hours.

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE,
March 6, 1902.

HON. J. R. STRATTON called, sworn.

By Mr. LATCHFORD :

Q. Do you care to make a statement with regard to this matter, Mr. Stratton? A. Well I—

Q. First as to the giving of the grant. A. Mr. Richard Hall and Mr. Eakins came to me before I was a member of the Government and pointed out to me the expenses of the work on Stony Creek; and on account of the quantity of timber that is in the locality, they thought the Government should assist them in the construction of the work, leaving the works when constructed Public Works, that all lumbermen and settlers in the vicinity might use, and showing the advantages which the construction of these dams would be not only in helping the company but helping the settlers and conserving the waters.

Q. Why is it desirable to conserve the waters? A. There are large bodies of water north of there that are regulated both by Dominion and Provincial dams and if properly regulated they will supply water to the Otonabee river during the dry season, and both governments are trying to see that the waters are held.

Q. Do you know whether there are other improvements in this vicinity maintained by the Provincial Government? A. There are numbers of dams in that locality and in the waters tributary to that section of the country.

By Mr. MATHESON :

Q. Of what nature are these dams in connection with the navigation? A. There are no locks, there are dams, in which they put stop logs in the spring and hold the water, and gradually take them out to keep an even flow of the streams. Negotiations are going on now between the Province and the Dominion with regard to the Dominion taking over all these dams so that the control of them will be in the hands of the Dominion Government. There is a conflict of authority to some extent.

Q. Can you tell me some streams in which the Province owns dams of that nature? A. I will give you a slip which I have on my desk that I obtained the other day of dams built by the Ontario Government in the locality during the past thirty years. Some of them have been rebuilt. Perhaps the Colonel would observe that a deputation was in Ottawa yesterday, of all the lumbermen and waterpower owners from Gillmour of Trenton to the Georgian Bay asking the Government to take these works over so that there would be one controlling hand and not control divided between the Province and the Dominion.

Q. That is for the use of the canal? Q. Yes, and particularly the water powers; plenty of water for the canal. I said to Hall that I was personally favorable to the assistance being given as I thought it would be in the public interest to do so, but that he would have to see the Minister of Public Works who was at that time Mr. Harty.

By Mr. LATCHFORD :

Q. Do you know if he did see Mr. Harty? A. I do not know. Subsequently Mr. Harty retired, Mr. Ross came in as Premier, I came in as Provincial Secretary and Mr. Latchford as Minister of Public Works. The company came to me then and said they were about commencing their fall operations, and would like to know if the Government would assist them in building their dam. I said, "I cannot say; you will have to interview the Government and see the Commissioner of Public Works." They came to Toronto; I was not present if they addressed Council; they may have.

By Mr. MATHESON:

Q. Who came, Hall and Etkins? A. They may have addressed the Council I was not present. They saw the Commissioner of Public Works and I saw them the day they were here. They said they had got no definite promise, that the Commissioner said he would send the Inspector to examine the lock and see that the works were such works as might be undertaken by the Government giving assistance. I heard no more about the matter, until about Christmas time.

Q. The same year? A. Yes, when they came to me again about the matter, and I said that I would inquire and see if there was a possibility of the appropriation being made. I saw the Premier and Commissioner of Public Works and they said from the report they thought the appropriation might be made. It was overlooked in the main estimates, and my attention being called to it before the Supplementary Estimates come down, it was placed in the Supplementaries. As for having any conversation with Mr. Hall or Mr. Schook, with Mr. McGill or with any other person possibly connected with the Company by which there would be any payment by the Company, it is absolutely untrue. It never was suggested, it was never thought of, it was never dreamed of so far as the Government or myself was concerned; no payment was received, no payment was promised, no payment was made. I do not know that I can make it any stronger. I would be glad to answer any question.

Q. The original estimate of the cost of the dam was \$13,000? A. From \$10,000 to \$13,000. When they spoke to me about it at the time they estimated the work to be more expensive than it afterwards turned out to be. That was why their grant was reduced from \$5,000 to \$4,000.

Mr. LOUGHRIN: Did the estimate of cost include the price of timber.

Mr. LATCHFORD: Up to the time they put in the statement the cost had been \$8,100 putting in the timber at a very low price; just a nominal price, because they cut it along their own limits, our Engineer's estimate of the cost of the improvements was \$13,000. A. Some of the timber was purchased from the settlers in the immediate vicinity.

By Mr. MATHESON:

Q. As a matter of fact, the grant of \$4,000 was made on the affidavit that the works were completed and the expenditure of \$8,100. Was it considered that the grant should be reduced because the expenditure was less than the estimate? A. Yes.

Q. After the Supplementary Estimates were passed, and before the grant was paid, was there any instruction as to whether the amount expended being less than \$13,000 the grant should be reduced? A. No. I stated from Council that from my information the expenditure would not be so great as they anticipated and that \$4,000 would be sufficient for the Province to pay. The work was not completed at this time; it was under way.

Q. So that the Council knew when they passed the grant that they were practically giving half of the money? A. Yes.

By Mr. LATCHFORD:

Q. About this story of Duignan? A. The first that I heard of Duignan's story was last summer in Peterboro. A friend, to whom Mr. Duignan showed some copies of papers that he had obtained from the Company, spoke to me about this cheque to Mr. McGill. I said to the party that there was nothing in the story absolutely; that if the story with regard to the other matters was as untrue as the story with regard to the \$2,000 cheque, it did not make any difference what statement he made.

Q. Did he threaten to make any statements? A. He never threatened to me. I have not spoken to Duignan for a year except to bow to him perhaps a couple of times. I saw him frequently but never with regard to the story. He

never mentioned it to me although I have met him frequently since I heard it. His people live a few doors from my people.

Q. Do you know that any money was at any time contributed by the Dickson Company out of these or any other monies received by them towards any election of any Liberal in Peterboro? A. No.

Q. For any political purpose? A. No.

Mr. MATHESON: Or any purpose whatever outside the works of the Company?
A. Or any purpose whatever outside the works of the Company.

Mr. GARROW: Then the story is a fabrication? A. Yes.

By Mr. LATCHFORD:

Q. Anything peculiar about this man, anything odd about this man Duignan?
A. I do not want to say anything about him.

Q. I suppose your answer covers anything done through Mr. Eakins as well?
A. By any person whatever. In any manner shape or form there was nothing received from Mr. Eakins or any person else. I do not want any mental equivocation on that score whatever.

COLONIZATION ROADS.

HENRY SMITH re-called:

By Mr. MATHESON: Have you got that statement? A. No it is down being re-written, as asked for yesterday, and it is not quite ready yet.

Mr. LATCHFORD: Even then I suppose it will be only approximate? A. It is approximate, because it is really impossible in all cases to make it correct.

Mr. MATHESON: Is it within a few hundred dollars? A. It is as nearly correct as I can make it.

Mr. MATHESON: I would like the statement put in the evidence. Mr. Smith will hand it to the clerk as soon as it is completed. I think that is all that we can go into this Session, Mr. Chairman, the end being so near.

THE CHAIRMAN: Mr. Miscampbell had intended to ask regarding those transfers from the Crown Lands Department to the Treasury Department in 1899. The papers have been ready a long time.

Mr. MATHESON: If the Committee will wait a few minutes I will try and see Mr. Miscampbell about it.

Mr. MATHESON retired and having returned said: I have seen Mr. Miscampbell and he said he did not care to go on with it.

The Committee then adjourned *sine die*.

STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURE ON COLONIZATION ROADS FOR 1901. GIVING NAME AND COST OF WORK IN EACH ELECTORAL DIVISION.

NOTE.—This statement must be regarded as only approximate, there being in several instances expenditures on roads between constituencies, and roads may also pass from one Electoral Division to another.

Addington	\$2,910 31	Renfrew North	4,904 45
Algoma East	16,932 74	Renfrew South	5,791 05
Algoma West	37,353 26	Victoria East	1,207 53
Bruce	675 80	Victoria West	553 27
Frontenac	1,270 46		\$138,921 98
Hastings	2,846 89		
Inspection	8,163 18		
Lanark North	1,853 72		
Leeds	802 60	Less refunds:	
Muskoka	6,169 11	Mining trails	\$25 00
Nipissing	26,645 87	Sandford Township road	35 52
Ontario North	522 43	Oak Flats road	60 28
Parry Sound	13,434 92		120 60
Peterboro East	2,370 99		
Peterboro West	4,463 40	Total	\$138,801 38

STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURE—Continued.

<i>Lanark.</i>			
Dalhousie 9 con. road	\$400 00		
Lavant road	190 00		
Lavant and Darling road	398 37		
Mississippi road	301 45		
Upper Pakenham road	313 00		
Westford and Maberly road	250 00		
	<u>\$1,853 72</u>		
<i>North Ontario.</i>			
Dalton and Washago road	\$300 00		
Monk road	201 68		
Monk road, bal. 1900	20 75		
	<u>\$522 43</u>		
<i>Frontenac.</i>			
Howe Island road	\$95 00		
Desert Lake to Martins' Mills	200 70		
Loughboro central road	297 25		
Perth road	180 00		
Portland road	255 29		
Perth road, old	242 15		
	<u>\$1,270 46</u>		
<i>Victoria East.</i>			
Blairhampton and Haliburton road ..	\$351 15		
Silver Lake and Union Creek road— boundary road	150 75		
Dumitt road	100 27		
Somerville and Galway road—bound- ary road	108 27		
Haliburton road, bal. 1900	92 84		
	<u>\$803 49</u>		
White lake and Burnt River road $\frac{1}{2}$ in each electoral division	202 38		
White Lake and Gooderham road ..	201 66		
	<u>\$1,207 53</u>		
<i>Peterboro West.</i>			
Buckhorn and Burleigh, $\frac{1}{2}$ in each elec- toral division	\$202 78		
Bass Lake road	409 50		
Black Lake and Ketchicum	423 11		
Bigelows Mills	107 91		
Buckhorn	399 21		
Buckhorn Lake shore	216 84		
Chemong Lake road	305 71		
French line bridge road	403 40		
Harvey lots 8 and 9	199 90		
Harvey and Cavendish road bal.	52 00		
Harvey 28 and 29	222 00		
North Harvey road	410 59		
Nogies Creek road	398 80		
Sandy Lake road	200 25		
Silver Lake and Union Creek (bound- ary) road	150 75		
Somerville and Galway (a boundary road)	108 27		
White Lake and Burnt River	252 87		
	<u>\$4,463 40</u>		
<i>Peterboro East.</i>			
Anstruther road	\$299 75		
Anstruther, Burleigh and Chandos ..	310 75		
Chandos road	199 33		
	<u>\$809 83</u>		
<i>Dummer con. road</i>		180 00	
Jacks Lake road		190 00	
Methuen road		290 00	
Vansickle road		100 00	
Scott road		201 37	
Burleigh road		397 00	
Buckhorn and Burleigh		202 78	
		<u>\$2,370 99</u>	
<i>Victoria West.</i>			
East Cross Creek bridge	\$254 00		
Eldon 3rd qts. line road	299 27		
	<u>\$553 27</u>		
<i>Renfrew South.</i>			
Bark Lake road	\$400 64		
Barrie, E. and W. road	300 84		
Brudenell road	50 63		
Clear Lake road	301 25		
Calabogie and Renfrew	270 00		
Douglas and Shamrock	300 75		
Foymount and Lyndoch	250 25		
Ferguson and Mt. St. Patrick	299 05		
Godin Creek bridge	90 00		
Harrington road	102 22		
Hagarty 4 and 5 road	340 08		
Hyde Chute and Sanson road	250 44		
Killaloe and Brudenell road	499 89		
Killaloe and Brudenell, bal. 1900 ..	4 75		
Opeongo road	399 00		
Opeongo road from Douglas	180 00		
Round Lake road	300 01		
Rockingham and Palmer Rapids	270 00		
Sammon Settlement road	257 00		
Sauer road	326 41		
Sammon Settlement road bal. 1900 ..	21 21		
Springtown and Calabogie road	213 75		
Siberia road	101 00		
Wilno road	261 88		
	<u>\$5,791 05</u>		
<i>Renfrew North.</i>			
Alice and Fraser road	\$200 01		
Alice and Fraser road	200 40		
Bromley (balance 1900)	18 68		
Buchanan Township road	201 00		
Bromley proof line road	237 32		
Curry's Lake road	200 84		
Head Township road	156 72		
Lapasse road	300 00		
Pembroke and Mattawa road	400 34		
Ross con. 2 road	202 25		
Ross 15 and 16 Con. road	199 88		
S. Algona road	202 25		
S. Algona, lots 15 and 16	204 81		
S. Algona, lot 32 road	300 95		
S. Algona, balance 1900	20 00		
Stratford and Bromley	306 19		
Tennet settlement road	206 75		
Westmeath road	213 75		
Westmeath Tp. road	99 70		
Wilberforce road	318 42		
Wilberforce, 15 and 16	105 65		
Wilberforce, 6 Con. road	201 94		
Wilberforce and Bromley	200 90		
Wilberforce, 5 proof line road	205 70		
	<u>\$4,904 45</u>		

STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURE—Continued.

<i>Bruce.</i>	
Indian Peninsula roads.....	\$675 80
<i>Muskoka.*</i>	
Baysville road.....	\$400 27
Black bridge.....	290 00
Cardwell and Watt.....	300 00
Cardwell, No. 3.....	147 90
Grassmere road.....	206 04
Huntsville and Novar.....	400 95
Muskoka road.....	250 96
Macaulay and Stephenson.....	388 92
Morrison road.....	400 63
Muskoka road.....	409 67
Oakley, 10 and 11 road.....	250 00
Portage road.....	300 00
Port Sydney bridge.....	500 00
Ridout road.....	302 50
Rosseau and Nipissing road.....	301 87
Stephenson and Macaulay road.....	299 89
Sinclair road.....	400 84
Stephenson and Macaulay rd. bal. 1900.....	20 00
Stisted and Stephenson road.....	398 16
Sinclair (Fields).....	200 51

\$6,169 11

<i>Addington.</i>	
Addington road.....	\$300 00
Bell Rock road.....	214 58
California road.....	401 48
Crow Lake road.....	280 00
Hinchinbrook road.....	266 79
Mississippi and Clarendon.....	300 60
Mississippi bridge.....	106 46
Massanoga Lake bridge, bal. 1900.....	80 89
Sharbot Lake floating bridge.....	652 22
Oak Flats road.....	307 20

\$2,910 31

<i>N. Hastings.</i>	
Bancroft road.....	\$230 00
Carlow and Raglan road.....	280 00
Hastings road bridge.....	103 50
Hastings road to Bancroft.....	409 50
Herschell and Faraday.....	252 28
Hastings road (Selby Hill).....	124 61
Lonsdale & Bridgewater (E. Hastings).....	227 00
Marmora Station to Deloro.....	200 00
Papineau creek bridge.....	450 00
Paudash Lake road.....	290 00
York River bridge.....	280 00

\$2,846 89

<i>Leeds.</i>	
Kingston to Perth road.....	\$300 00
Opinicon Lake road.....	252 75
Rideau Narrows and Burgess (Leeds and Grenville).....	249 85

\$802 60

<i>Parry Sound.</i>	
Armour, 16, S. L. road.....	\$100 99
Ahmie Harbour balance.....	26 60
Alsace road.....	302 00
Armour 6 and 7.....	297 25
Banbury and Ax Lake road.....	280 00
Bethune road.....	499 63
Bethune and Perry road.....	225 40
Bethune, 5 S. L. road.....	300 03

Bethune, 8 con. road.....	100 34
Burpee road.....	230 00
Bordeau road.....	200 82
Brandy Lake road.....	95 80
Carling, 9 con. road.....	392 18
Christie, 6 con. road.....	300 34
Commanda Lake road.....	300 05
Christie road bridge.....	201 80
Denville bridge.....	307 93
Edgington road.....	299 99
Golden Valley road.....	500 74
Gurd, con. 6 and 7.....	200 40
Healy Settlement road.....	391 95
Himsworth, 10th con. road.....	102 20
Himsworth, 16 S. L. rd.....	300 74
Joly, 5 and 5 road.....	303 03
Lake Joseph road.....	199 80
Machar, Strong and Joly.....	300 00
Machar, 5 and 6 road.....	401 93
Magnetawan, 6 con.....	380 00
Monterth, 6 and 7 con. road.....	390 00
Monteith and Perry road.....	300 01
McConkey East and Restoul.....	501 12
Mills road balance.....	35 75
Machar, 10 and 11 balance.....	21 63
Nipissing road and bridge.....	480 75
North Himsworth.....	175 00
Neighic bridge.....	299 78
North-west road.....	23 56
Old Man's Creek bridge.....	204 07
Parry Sound road.....	200 00
Proudfoot township road.....	460 00
Ryerson, 9 and 10 road.....	298 91
Ryerson road.....	305 39
South Himsworth road.....	100 22
Seguin River bridge.....	893 25
Shawanaga Lake road.....	300 50
Stanley road.....	300 00
Wolf River bridge.....	302 35
Westphalia road.....	300 69

\$13,434 92

<i>West Algoma.</i>	
Atwood road.....	\$400 04
Bridge repairs.....	485 69
Bonheur Mining road balance, 1900.....	10 88
Carpenter and Burrie.....	1,000 00
Carpenter and Dobie.....	1,050 00
Carpenter and Lash.....	1,024 87
Carpenter, lots 2 and 3.....	602 23
Connree township.....	1,074 26
Crozier and Lash road.....	1,725 00
Devlin road.....	825 62
Dorion and McTavish.....	1,527 45
Dilke and Morley road.....	980 00
Dinorwic and Sandy Lake.....	515 03
Elm Bay Wabigoon bridge.....	850 00
Hymer and Gillies road.....	1,973 43
Ignace and Sturgeon Lake road.....	873 44
Jaffray township and Winnipeg river.....	547 47
Lydster road.....	510 47
Lavallee bridges balance.....	164 94
Long Lake road.....	455 97
Marks township road.....	534 68
Matheson bay road.....	266 25
Moss township road balance, 1900.....	223 02
Morley township road balance, 1900.....	39 98
Morley and Shenston road.....	1,575 00
Murillo road.....	651 05
Minnehaba and Manitou road.....	449 08
McIntyre Gorham road.....	1,835 73
Mining trails.....	100 00
Paipoonge and Blake road.....	1,105 53
Paipoonge road.....	1,973 90
Pattullo and Morley road.....	980 00
Rabbitt Mountain.....	508 34

STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURE—Continued.

<i>West Algoma.</i>			
Rainy River road	\$1,750 00	Chisholm road	\$500 45
Rainy River District roads	2,140 00	Chisholm, 6 and 7	508 99
Rainy River road, bal. 1900	67 89	Chisholm and Himsworth, 16 and 17	501 98
Sandford township road	998 53	Chisholm and Himsworth	402 09
Scoble township road	519 33	Chisholm, 8 and 9	300 14
Scramble Mine and Rossland	233 71	Casimer, lots 8 and 9	506 51
Stewart's bridge	20 62	Ferris and North Bay	401 55
Stanley and Corbett's Creek road	2,534 26	Ferris and Chisholm	400 00
Wainwright township road	758 79	Ferris, 8 and 9 road	400 00
Winnetri trails	25 00	Field, No. 1 road	416 00
Worthington and Blue road	1,000 17	French River Valley trail	200 00
Zealand township road	465 66	Hugel road	600 14
		Hugel and Badgerow	402 08
<i>Algoma East.</i>		Kirkpatrick, 5 con. road	250 00
Assiginac road	\$37,353 26	Kirkpatrick, 5 and 6 con. road	190 00
Ansonia bridge	\$ 301 88	Keenan road	200 00
Alderson road	70 00	Lafrance road	100 00
Balfour and Rayside road	200 75	Mattawa and Callander road	299 80
Balfour 4 and 5 road	514 83	Martland road	819 15
Birch Lake and Webbwood road	299 87	McPherson road	601 83
Bright 5 and 6 road, balance 1900	498 30	Monet road	514 85
Blind River and Iron bridge	18 12	McPherson and Caldwell	390 00
Bruce Mines and Ophir road	1,004 14	North Bay and Trout Lake road	391 73
Campbell road, balance 1900	300 00	Papineau, 10 and 11 road	370 72
Campbell 12 con. road	20 08	Ratter road	240 00
Campbell 12 con. road	301 92	Springer road	390 00
Cartier road	90 00	Springer road bal.	18 75
Clark's bridge	263 10	Sturgeon River road	506 75
Cobden and Striker road	930 11	Sudbury and Rayside	698 53
Copper Cliff and Murray Mines	480 00	Sturgeon Falls and Verner	165 36
Coulter and Spanish road	500 21	Smoky Falls	17 90
Coyne road	504 71	Temiskaming roads	10,514 92
Day Mills and Dayton road	500 00	Verner and Badgerow road	295 10
De-barats and Bruce Mines road	65 00	Widdifield roads	272 58
Desbarats Dock road	90 00	Wisawasa road	601 82
Dean Lake and Missisaga Lake road	100 49	Wahnapiatae road	700 00
Gordon Lake Wolseley road	280 00		
Galbraith 2 con. road	300 00	<i>Inspection.</i>	
Garden River bridge, bal. 1900	14 40		\$26,645 87
Garden River bridge	102 79	Aylesworth, C. F., in-	
Grand Portage road	480 00	spector, Renfrew	
Goulais Bay road	100 00	North and South	East Division.
Great Northern road	307 47	Boyd, Jno. F., in-	\$1,200 00
Harrow township road	500 00	spector, Algoma East and	
Hallam 2 con. road	140 00	mining roads	North Division.
Indian Point bridge	19 52		1,631 85
Korah road	50 00	Mounsbury, M., in-	
Laird and McDonald	300 11	spector, Peterboro	
Little Current and Providence Bay	499 27	East and West and	
May Con. 1 road	150 18	Nipissing	East Division.
McAuley road	149 92		1,165 55
Nairn and Webbwood road	705 69	McDougall, Neil, in-	
Patton road	590 00	spector, Thunder	
Port Finlay road	249 25	Bay District, West	
Providence Bay and Kagawong road	300 00	Algoma	North Division.
Prince township road	303 25		1,624 63
Sandfield township road	304 12	Tierney, J. A., in-	
Sheginandah and Green Bay road	257 73	spector, Rainy River Dis-	
St. Joseph Island roads	493 56	trict and mining	
Somes road	50 00	roads	North Division.
Thessalon township road	400 50		800 00
Trillabelle road	602 77	McCracken, John, in-	
Tarentorus road	149 64	spector, Temiskam-	
Vankoughnet road	1,055 01	ing District, Nipiss-	
Vankoughnet road bal.	109 18	ing	East Division.
Wells road	614 45		721 50
West Bay and Sheginandah road	300 42	Wickett, B., in-	
		spector, Parry Sound Dis-	
		trict	West Division.
			477 35
		Morrison, A., in-	
		spector, Muskoka Dis-	
		trict	West Division.
			485 70
		Smith, Henry, super-	
		intendent general	
		inspection	50 00
		(Travelling expenses)	6 60
			\$8,163 18
<i>Nipissing.</i>			
Bleazard road	\$16,932 74		
Bonfield road	\$249 82		
Bonfield and Ferris	380 00		
Bonfield and Ferris	490 00		
Brazear road	200 10		
Burns road	98 50		
Caldwell and McPherson	302 53		
Caldwell No. 2	300 00		
Caldwell, con. 1 and 2	155 20		
Calvin, lot 31	180 00		

HENRY SMITH,
Superintendent Coln. Roads,
Department of Public Works, Ontario,
Colonization Roads Branch,
Toronto, March 4th, 1902.

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE

ON

AGRICULTURE AND COLONIZATION

1902.

To the Honourable the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario:

The Standing Committee on Agriculture and Colonization beg leave to present the following as their

FIRST REPORT.

Your Committee have had under consideration the question of the injurious effect produced upon grain by the growth of the Barberry Shrub in its vicinity.

Your Committee have summoned a number of witnesses from certain sections where the shrub is grown, and where rust largely prevails, and submit herewith the evidence given as taken by the stenographers.

All which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN MUTRIE,
Chairman.

Committee Room,
12th March, 1902.

FIRST MEETING OF THE AGRICULTURAL AND COLONIZATION
COMMITTEE, FEBRUARY 27TH, 1902.

COLONEL MUTRIE in the Chair.

Hon. Mr. DRYDEN said: I understand that the Clerk has notified several gentlemen to be here to give evidence. I think it probably would help us if we were first to ask Mr. Goodfellow to give us such information as he can in reference to this matter. He has taken a deep and personal interest in the investigation of and the agitation for the destruction of this Barberry shrub, and has gone to a good deal of trouble in hunting up evidence in reference to it in order that he might convince the Legislature as to the danger to various crops.

Mr. LITTLE asked if it was the intention to have the evidence taken in full.

Hon. Mr. DRYDEN replied that it was. The stenographer was present, and all the evidence would be taken.

Mr. JOSEPH GOODFELLOW, of Barrie, was called. Mr Goodfellow produced specimens of the Barberry shrub, and also two specimens of grains affected by them, both of which were badly rusted.

Mr. FALLIS: Did they both grow in one field? A. No, sir; seven miles apart.

Hon. Mr. DRYDEN : Both in the same section ? A. Yes.

Mr. GOODFELLOW, continuing, said : Sixteen years ago I left the township, where I had been a moderately successful farmer, and took up a farm just outside the corporation limits of the Town of Barrie. I did not have good crops the first year ; the rust spoiled them. Then the next year was no better. The next year they were in good shape, a magnificent crop in fact, and there was no rust. It is a strange thing about this Barberry that some years it has no fungus ; other years it is loaded with it. This third year I had a magnificent crop of forty-four bushels to the acre. This kind of thing, good and bad crops alternating, went on for eight years before I knew what was the cause of it. I happened then to be over in the Township of Gwillimbury on business, and heard them talking about the Barberry shrub. They were rooting it out in that district. After listening to their conversation I came to the conclusion that Barberry was affecting my crops. I went across to a neighbor to ask him about it, and he replied that there had been a Barberry shrub about there for some years. At this time we held a meeting, about fourteen farmers of us altogether, where we discussed the matter, and as a result of that discussion we sent a deputation to the owner of the farm which had Barberry shrub, stated our grievance, and asked him if he would take the hedge out. He practically told us to go home and mind our own business. We thought that we would go to the Town Council of Barrie, the farm complained of being in the township limit, and say that this thing was injurious to us, and ask them to have it dug out. The matter was in their hands for two years, and we were suffering all this time. I might say that since I went to my farm in the township I have really only had four good crops during the whole time, and they were magnificent crops ; and I might also add that I do not know but that Barberry has had a bad effect upon potatoes as well as upon wheat. We are not afraid to say now, after years of observation, that it does affect wheat badly, and after three years' observation on this particular point I have come to the conclusion that it also affects potatoes. Some of the Agricultural College professors may be able to say something more definite on that account ; but, to refer again to the Barberry shrub in our own locality, several bills, you will remember, were brought into the Legislature. Mr. Little brought in a bill, which, however, did not become law, and Mr. Taylor, of Middlesex, brought in a bill to destroy the shrub when found within 100 feet of agricultural land. This became law. Acting on this we went again to the Town Council of Barrie, and got them to approve of this bill in order that we might get the Barberry hedges within the municipality destroyed. The men who had Barberry on their lands, however, said that the Town Council had no power, and refused to destroy it. The mayor then went to the officers of the law, who were also of opinion that the law was not workable. As soon as I got word of this I came to see Premier Ross, who, however, was away in England, so I laid the matter before the Deputy Attorney-General. He thought that the only real method of overcoming the difficulty would be to get special legislation to cut down the shrub wherever found.

Mr. GOODFELLOW then produced a roughly drawn map of part of Barrie, showing the McCarthy hedge on Peel St. as one of the hedges complained of. He said that at the time that wheat was ripening there was a streak across the fields from this hedge that could not be compared to anything else than burning stubble. " My farm he said lies to the north of the McCarthy farm, part of it is on a hill, so that I was anxious in regard to this spread of rust, and watched affairs pretty closely. He then showed the situation of another Barberry hedge, locally known as the Ratcliffe hedge.

Hon. Mr. DRYDEN : These hedges referred to are within the limits of the town ? A. Yes, both within the limits ; there is one outside of the town. This

hedge on the gravel pit reaches for hundreds of yards, and there is another one about 20 rods to the north of the gravel pit hedge.

Hon. Mr. DRYDEN: The McCarthy farm is in the town? A. Yes.

Mr. GOODFELLOW stated that this hedge had destroyed fields of oats and grain year after year. After giving some further evidence relating to the damage which, he was convinced, was caused from these shrubs within the town limits, Mr. Goodfellow went on to deal with shrubs in other localities. He explained that as the result of a meeting of farmers in his own locality, he had been selected to work up evidence and agitate for restrictions in regard to the growth of the Barberry shrub. As a consequence, he had sent samples of rusted wheat to the Minister of Agriculture, Premier Ross, and the *Sun* newspaper. The editor of the latter sent it to the Model Farm, and within four days Prof. Lochhead was down making investigations. The Professor also received news from Streetville that the wheat was badly rusted there, and the Professor was asked to go up there. He found the rust was worse than in the town of Barrie, but could not locate any hedge. "Of course," said Mr. Goodfellow, "if the hedge was not located, there would be no use asking for legislation giving power to interfere with it. I had an interview with the Minister of Agriculture and he recommended that I should go out and after a search I found a great quantity of hedge. I do not want any gentleman to think that I am smarter than anyone else going into a locality and finding the hedge, but not one man in fifty knows anything about it, unless he has paid considerable attention to the matter. I happened to meet with a man the very first day who knew something of the matter and was able to give me a good idea of where the hedge was. He told me that he was sure that the birds had carried the seeds of this hedge and planted it elsewhere throughout the locality. The next morning I started on a tour of investigation. West of the town I saw a large stack of straw in a farm yard, and it looked very black. I found that the farm was owned by a widow. I went to the barn, found a man there, and asked to be shown the grain. I put some of it in my pocket, and I brought home these samples, showing that the grain was almost ruined by Barberry shrub, and I notified Mr. Dryden as to what I had found. Then I went along to the township of Adjala and saw a Mr. Burk. He had 25 rods of Barberry hedge on a fifty acre farm, and I understood that it had been planted there by the man who had sold it to him. Mr. Burk destroyed this hedge when he was convinced of the harm which it was doing. On the 12th line of Whitechurch I found there a farm with more Barberry hedge round the house. The daughter of the farmer had brought it home and planted it so as to raise a nice hedge. The crops on this farm had always been badly rusted ever since this Barberry had been planted, and she described it to me as a great wedge of rust clean across the field. This summer, my son, who has a farm 14 miles south of me, said there was a good deal of rust at Innisfil. Well, I thought it must be due to Barberry. I went down the next day to try and find a hedge. I did not know where it was, and I went to neighbors here and there, but could not find it. Finally I went into the house of a man named McLellan and he told me that his wheat was badly rusted. He said it had been so two or three years, but did not know of any Barberry shrub, in fact he didn't know it to see it. I went into his garden and there was a Barberry shrub about six feet high, and I found it had been there pretty nearly fifty years. I found on further inquiry that the shrub had been given to the daughter of the man by a nurseryman at the time when Barberry shrub was thought to be very nice around a house. I remembered then that forty years before, driving with my wife along that line, we saw the most beautiful wheat until we got near this house where it began to show signs of rust. I remember saying at that time that I never saw anything like it. It had been ruining these people for forty years or more, and no one knew anything about it. I told this man about it and

he said he would cut down the shrub. I said "You will have to do more than that," I said "You will have to take it up and dry it and burn it" At Gilford, a station on the Northern Railway, Mr. Goodfellow said there was a shrub on the grounds outside of the corner store, and he was sure that this was responsible for the destruction of fields of potatoes and the bad rusting of oats and wheat in the vicinity. He said that he had a representative go to Maple Vale who found a Barberry hedge on a lot there. It had been there for years and the people did not know that it was Barberry. He said also that there were hedges at Nottawasaga.

Mr. MONTEITH said there had been complaints from the township of Osborne in Huron county, and he remembered that this was discussed as far back as ten years ago at the Experimental Union meetings.

Mr. GOODFELLOW continuing asked Hon. Mr. Dryden to read a letter in his possession, from the Minister of Agriculture of the State of Ohio.

Mr. DRYDEN read the letter which was to the effect that Mr. Goodfellow was mistaken in supposing that there was a law on the statute books of the State making it illegal to grow the Barberry shrub. The Minister of the State of Ohio said he was informed that this was true of several European countries, but while the matter had been agitated in Ohio nothing had been done.

Mr. GOODFELLOW then continuing said that at the next fair in Elmvale he had shown a number of specimens of Barberry shrub. Two ladies who came from the Township of Floss were among those who stopped to examine the specimen, and they said they were the same as a shrub in their yard, and they said that their oats and wheat had been ruined for years, and he told them that wherever there was a Barberry shrub they could depend on having the grain badly rusted.

Mr. MONTEITH: How do you account for the exceptions you mentioned? You say that some years crops are very good and free from rust. A. Well, I can hardly answer that.

Dr. BARR: Is there any difference in a dry season? A. Well, I think the seasons and the wind have their effect. If it is a strong wind you can see the particles of the hedges floating around. A very high wind in dry weather seems to take them away altogether. I have always noticed that a field on the side that the wind blows from over the Barberry shrub would be more rusted than a field on the other side. I have noticed that a capsule or a pollen or whatever else scientific men may call it, forms on the other side of the Barberry leaf in June and July, and that when it ripens, it immediately bursts, and flies around, and then the crops will settle. In a very dry climate it will rise and never come down. If the wind is strong, of course, it all goes in one direction. Some years the Barberry has this fungus and some years it has not. This year it was pretty bad in Barrie. Over in Innisfil, across the bay, where there is a large hedge endangering the farms, there was no fungus on it this year, and no sign of it could be discerned, not a single bulb. I told the farmers you will have no rust this year. They asked me how I knew, and I said that there was no fungus on the Barberry. Sure enough they had a good crop without rust. With regard to the injurious effects on other things beside the grain, our gardeners in Barrie are complaining of it, and I do not know of anything grown on the farm except perhaps a few vegetables that it does not injuriously affect.

Mr. GOODFELLOW asked Mr. Dryden to read an extract from the Barrie Gazette of February 12th. The extract was an interview with Mr. George Somers, a market gardener, who was interviewed with regard to the alleged injurious effects of the Barberry shrub. He said that during the last few years he had suffered considerably from rust, the cause of which he could not understand. He had learned, however, on investigation that it was caused by the presence of the Barberry shrub, that had been credited with such havoc to oats

and grains. He mentioned that his nephew last year had offered to sell for \$10 four acres of oats which had been damaged from this cause. As to compensating the owners of shrubs, Mr. Somers held that compensation should be made to the gardeners and farmers who had for years been suffering as a result of the growing of this shrub.

Mr. GOODFELLOW then reverted again to the Ratcliffe hedge in the town of Barrie, and said that some years ago a farmer bought the farm on which this hedge is, and tried to raise food for his cattle and horses, and failed. He then went to work and planted strawberries. The strawberries grew up with little red-lined shoulders with green points, and as hard as could be. His grass was all rusted, and he could not raise anything but grain. His grain was magnificent, was not hurt a particle. There were, said Mr. Goodfellow, a good many other cases of damages to crops by the Barberry, which he could not remember.

Mr. CHARLES HEWSON, of Barrie, called, said that so far as a Mr. Quinlan, who had been referred to, was concerned, he could say that his crops had been greatly affected by the Barberry. Mr. Goodfellow and Mr. Quinlan were neither of them within a quarter of a mile of any Barberry shrub, and the upper ends of their farms were certainly not within half a mile of any shrub. Perhaps more than that. Mr. Goodfellow, however, from his personal observations, believes that the Barberry hedge is injurious and that its injurious effects can hardly be limited. I may say that my father owned a farm at Innisfil adjoining that of Dr. Morton. Before the Barberry hedge was planted in the vicinity, we never had any rust. Then there were years after the Barberry hedge was planted when each occasionally had good crops and occasionally they were not affected at all, and years when they were both badly rusted. Before it was planted—I want to emphasize this—we never had any rust to speak of. The land is high, good clay loam, and well drained, so that the crops were not affected by any other means, and they never suffered at all from rust until after the hedge came there. Since it was planted there and has developed, scarcely a year passes but what they are affected. I should say that four out of every five crops at least are affected, and the crops of the neighborhood are more or less affected, as you go west from this hedge. We are certainly affected for more than half a mile from it, as I can testify from my own personal observation. I have some Barberry shrub myself on property recently bought in Barrie. I have noticed in the last three years different shrubs in different localities, some at the back of houses and some in the front. Occasionally the shrub will be filled with pollen or fungus beneath the leaves, and other years it will have nothing on it. Some years both at the back and front of the houses the shrubs will be full of pollen, other years only one of them, so that there is no accounting for the years when they have the pollen that will be distributed by the wind. So far as I am concerned I am quite willing to have the Barberry rooted out of my premises and destroyed. My observation is that it will cause rust even on garden produce. Occasionally around these plants if potatoes or tomatoes are planted you will find them to be rusted.

Sheriff DRURY, called, said: I had the pleasure of an intimate acquaintance with the Professor at the Agricultural College in 1887 or 1888, when I had the honor of being the head of the Department of Agriculture of this Province. Professor Panton at that time issued a bulletin on the subject of the Barberry shrub. I am not so sure that he committed himself absolutely to the theory that the Barberry shrub was the true host of rust. I am not prepared to say that he said it was the only source, but I repeat that I think he did take that position. I discussed the question with Professor Panton as I knew him to be a careful and patient investigator. I was deeply impressed with his conviction that that was the true and at the time only known source of rust. I have been sceptical with regard to the matter all these years and the proof of my scepticism was in growing it on my grounds all these years, and I have them, I am sorry to say, there

now, six or eight nice clumps of Barberry I bought from a nurseryman fifty years ago when they were held to be nice as an ornamental shrub and quite the proper thing around a house. Of course there are two sides to this question, the scientific and the practical. We have Prof. Panton's well matured opinion in which he states that a careful microscopic examination of this fungus is identical with the same thing upon wheat and oats affected by rust. I was asking the Hon. Mr. Dryden whether he possessed a copy of this bulletin, I think it is 1887 or 1888.

Mr. DRYDEN: Yes, I have a copy which members may see when they desire.

Mr. DRURY: Now, gentlemen, being a convert to this you might think that perhaps like all converts I am inclined to be over zealous but I think I would like to give my own personal observations and experiences. I am a farmer owning a somewhat large farm, and a grower of wheat. All these years I have more or less than periodically suffered from rust on my farm. The front part of the farm is a large field opened in pasture for years. It was broken up in 1900 and sown with oats. When this was ripening it was suddenly stricken with blight, and practically the whole field was ruined before ripening, and scarcely worth threshing. Well, that field was worked up in the fall and sown with fall wheat this last year; part of the wheat is as bad as some of these samples shown. It had a fine appearance at first and I thought it was going to yield over forty bushels to the acre. The rust struck it, however, and it threshed out twenty-seven bushels to the acre. This I only finished cleaning yesterday and found that only about half of it is fit for the market, and the rest will have to be used for feed. My house is situated in the west part of the field, and in making my observations I saw that the eastern part of the field was clean from rust. I could see a well defined line between the west and the eastern part. The nearer I approached to the Barberry shrub, the more pronounced was the rust. However, one swallow does not make a summer, and we should always be slow to arrive at conclusions on these matters. My conclusion was that a wind to get at the eastern side of the field would have to be a rare one for that part of the country, half south-west and west. I was becoming a convert to the view that Barberry was responsible for this state of affairs, I mean the rust on my oats. To confirm my views I determined to make careful observations. When I was mowing around the south side of the field, cutting the grass out of the fence corners, and before coming to any sign of the rust, on the field, I observed a peculiarity among the green grain growing on the headland. Coming into the field I found that the grain was completely thin, hardly able to support itself. It was not at all approaching maturity, and in putting my hand upon it I found that this black rust had possession of it. I went on and half way between this point and the headland found a little Barberry bush planted no doubt by the birds. The Barberry is not growing in various parts of the township I am living to any great extent. It is planted in clumps around the houses. I am a transgressor in that regard but I have commenced to cut the shrubs out. I value them somewhat, they are very pretty, but at the same time I am thoroughly convinced that the rust cannot be stamped out unless these shrubs are uprooted. That is the only way I think in which a remedy can be obtained. I do not think any great harm would be done if a law was passed compelling their destruction. I am very doubtful whether you could get this Legislature, composed of very diverse elements, to pass a measure of so drastic a nature, and the only effective one because the Act we have now has been tested and found to be worthless. The difficulty may be, as I say, to get the Legislature, to pass a measure of this kind. If it was found impossible to do so, I venture to suggest that a permissive law should be passed, authorizing the County Councils by by-law to authorize the destruction of the shrub within their limits. If we had such a law as that, I am satisfied that we could get our County Council to call a special session at once, and pass a by-law authorizing the destruction of the Barberry

in the County of Simcoe. That is of course a matter for the Legislature to deal with. I have nothing more to say in regard to it. What I have said is the result of two years observation. This specimen taken from the McCarthy farm is as complete a sample of the destruction of grain as anyone could get, and is good evidence of the damage the Barberry is doing. I would be sorry to commit myself to the theory that this is the only source of rust, as Professor Pantou thought, but that it is a source of rust I am perfectly satisfied in my own mind, and I have taken the liberty to presume that it would be in the public interest, if it is true, and if science shows that it is true, to take steps to kill the shrub as quickly as possible. There are vast interests involved. Take, for instance, as a sample, my own crop on a field of sixteen or twenty acres, only twenty-seven bushels to the acre, and but one half of that fit for the market, the balance having to be used for cattle feed. That seems to be a great loss and it is probably going on all over this country for hedges that are not worth anything. This hedge on the Ratcliffe farm is a miserable ragged thing. The only prettiness in them is when they are planted in clumps. I would not use a Barberry shrub now and I think many others agree with me. It is an idea of fifty years ago, but if I had a selection of an ornamental shrub now, I would not take a Barberry, and if it is a source of danger, and I think there can be no doubt of that, the Legislature should grapple with it, and the responsibility would rest on the Minister of Agriculture for its enforcement. If it is not possible for a drastic measure to be passed, I say, give us the permissive law by which County Councils may deal with the matter.

MR. DRYDEN: If you can make out as good a case as you are doing now, I don't think there will be much difficulty about getting the legislation you desire; even the gentlemen who represent cities would be willing to do what they can in the matter of assisting agriculturists. They realize and are alive to all that affects the interests of that most important class of the community.

MR. DRURY, continuing: My observation convinces me that it is a source of danger. I would not like to pin faith to the theory that rust would not be if there was no Barberry, but certainly the proof is that where the Barberry grows, there is rust. On the farm opposite my own is an Englishman named Mr. Darby, a brother of the Warden of the County. When I have asked my boys or men to go to that place for threshing, there has been a good deal of kicking because there is more rust than on mine. This gentleman had been living in the County of Essex for some time, and he told me that he had suffered with rust there, too, and never knew what the cause of it was. I told him that I thought it was due to Barberry, and he has become a convert to the idea. I certainly think that many hundreds, perhaps thousands of dollars worth of damage are done every year by this shrub. Mr. Goodfellow called my attention to a fact which I wish to touch on for a moment. My home is outside the town but as you know I am Sheriff of the County, and I drive in this distance to the office along this section of the country affected, according to his belief and mine, by the presence of the Ratcliffe hedge. I can bear testimony to the effect on the crops extending that distance of two miles to the north-east. I observe the conditions through constantly driving.

MR. LITTLE: You have heard from the northern part of Simcoe, and I suggest that you now hear Mr. Faris from the southern part.

MR. MATTHEW FARIS, of Bradford, said:

In 1882 I planted a Barberry shrub hedge on the front of my lawn, and we did not find any bad effects the first year. It was late planting and there was no bad effect from it as there was no grain near it. There was a fallow beside it. But the next year we had wheat beside it, and this sample is just about what we had as near as I can tell—it turned black. I was not then convinced that that was the sole cause of it. I was holding on to my hedge; I thought it looked very nice and fine and I tried it another year. I sowed oats near it and

it had the same result, and that fall I pulled it up and burnt it. I suppose if I had not the neighbors would have come and done it for me. I don't think the neighbors would have permitted me to have left it there another year.

The CHAIRMAN: Have you been free from rust since?

Mr. FARIS: Yes, we never had any rust on the farm since. My farm is what we call loamy soil, good wheat land, and lies up to the south-east. I have never suffered from rust but that one crop or two crops that I spoke of.

Mr. LITTLE: Some of your neighbors also planted a hedge, didn't they.

Mr. FARIS: Yes, Mr. Manning, near Bondhead, had some of it, and he seemed to like it very well and it was quite a job to get him to do anything with it. The whole neighborhood had to rise up, for they were not able to grow crops. Mr. Wright is one. He will not be here as his brother is sick, and he was notified to go to his bedside. I have seen Mr. Wright's, Mr. Jeff's and Mr. Manning's grain, and I can assure you as long as the hedge remained there they grew no wheat worth anything.

Hon. Mr. DRYDÉN: I understand the section in which you live is one of the best wheat growing sections of the Province?

Mr. FARIS: I think so.

Mr. LITTLE: You could not grow any wheat successfully as long as this Barberry was in your neighborhood?

Mr. FARIS: No.

Mr. LITTLE: How many years ago since you destroyed it?

Mr. FARIS: I planted it in 1882, and it was two years down. The first year did not count and I lost two crops.

Mr. LITTLE: And before that?

Mr. FARIS: I never had any rust before that.

Hon. Mr. DRYDEN: This is very emphatic evidence. Do I understand you to say the hedge near Bondhead was destroyed on the requisition of some of the neighbors?

Mr. FARIS: Yes, the neighbors said to Mr. Manning, "We have got to have it out and if you say so, we will take your hedge out." Then they went to work, pulled it out and burnt it.

Hon. Mr. DRYDEN: When was that?

Mr. FARIS: Two or three years after I pulled my own out.

Hon. Mr. DRYDEN: What is the result?

Mr. FARIS: They have grown crops just the same as before the Barberry came.

Mr. JOSEPH TODD, of Gilford, said:

We have been in that neighborhood affected by rust more or less, but never knew that the barberry hedge was the great cause of the rust. Mr. Blain has got a hedge on the old McConkey farm, and around about that field was struck with rust badly this year the wheat only weighing 50 lbs. to the bushel. For the past 25 years rust off and on has affected that place and the neighborhood as well. Some years we are not troubled with rust; other years we are. Whether this Barberry hedge was the cause or not I am not prepared to say, but everything points directly to it. The neighbors living to the north of me grew as fine fields of wheat as you ever saw. Going along the route I would find magnificent fields; in a day or two after when I went along I wondered why that field was affected with rust, and nobody seemed to know the cause. Everyone would remark on it; it was the talk all over the neighborhood. There must be a cause of some kind. Now, Mr. Groves was discussing it with me one day and I asked him if there was any barberry there. Mr. Goodfellow came down to look at those fields and hunted around until he found this Barberry shrub. I asked Mr. Groves and Mr. McLellan and they said they had never noticed it. The last two years they had been troubled with rust and had never heard anything about this Barberry. The

fields of wheat nearest this barberry shrub had rust on them worse than any of the others. Mr. Groves told me he lost \$200 in the season. That is all I know. I know the fields were affected by rust, but whether this was the cause it is not for me to say.

Mr. REID: You are really of opinion that that was the cause.

Mr. TODD: I was hard to convert into that opinion, but now I am converted. Many people have got wheat just as black as that sample but they don't know what is the cause. I think it is possible they have got the shrub on their place and don't know it. Other people who have it know it and think it is the shrub that is causing the damage. All over, wherever I have been and people have heard anything about it, they would like it destroyed.

Mr. FARIS: Very much depends on the wind as to where the rust lies. I have seen a cloud of rust on my field rise and fly I don't know where.

Mr. MONTEITH: As an old resident, have you any recollection of it in years gone by?

Mr. FARIS: No, I remember hearing of rust many years ago, but I cannot say I ever suffered with rust since I have been farming, and I have farmed for fifty years.

Mr. LITTLE: On the same farm?

Mr. FARIS: Yes.

Mr. DRURY: Is not there a difference between the rust you saw and the red rust which went no further than affecting the color of the leaf; the red rust of fifty years ago?

Mr. FARIS: Yes, I have often seen it on the leaf when it would do no harm whatever.

Mr. JOHN WARNICA, of Paineswick, said: I can endorse some of the things that have been said. I am an old resident of Paineswick where this Dr. Morton hedge was planted. I knew it when it was a perfect forest; it is as good a locality as we have in that northern district for wheat. We in that section knew very little about rust until the Doctor planted his hedge that has been spoken of. That I know to be a fact. The rust did not bother us years ago because there was no such shrub when we first grew wheat there. It was certainly a different kind of rust. I never in my young days saw that black rust at all, I don't think, but a red rust which would injure the wheat but not perfectly kill it. We never in my younger days used to suffer with the oat rust, but frequently now the oats are as bad as the wheat, and frequently our barley. It is thirty years ago since they first planted the shrub—it was a large hedge—and the old Squire, Samuel Soles' father, got the idea in his head it was this hedge that caused the rust, but they did not want to be convinced. By and by they were thoroughly convinced, and they tore it up, and have raised wheat for twenty-five years without any trouble. So that this is not a new idea. This hedge was on the north side which was next to their farm, but on the south side there is one little bush. It was certainly very handsome; they hated to give it up as it was surrounded by other trees and they did not think it would hurt very much. This past year they had a field across the concession and in a direct south-easterly course. One part of the field was badly hurt and the rest not touched at all. You could stand there and the portion affected was just in a line with this bush. They say they are bound to cut it down. I have been asked just now to tell about my potato patch and I give it for what it is worth. I am now living down on the side of the bay shore about two and a half miles south-east of Barrie, two or three miles from this shrub Mr. Goodfellow and the Sheriff have mentioned. I had an acre of about as nice a patch of potatoes as I ever grew, and felt real proud of them. All at once, I discovered that something had struck them black, and I examined them and it looked as if it were rust. They were on a nice sloping gravelled knoll on the bay, and on top of the knoll. On the south side the land descended very

rapidly, and is very heavy, wet, rich soil. I expected this would be the worst but there they were hardly touched at all. Right on the top four-fifths of them were rotten and I had a piece of oats about an acre along there, and I had to move them.

Hon. Mr. DRYDEN: You think a few came over on your potatoes.

Mr. WARNICA: I do.

Mr. R. M. WATSON, Miller, Allandale, said:

I run the Tollendal mills near Allandale where very frequently there is trouble with wheat that comes from this Barberry neighborhood, and I have no trouble in distinguishing between wheat affected by Barberry and that affected by ordinary rust. Wheat affected by a Barberry is perfectly useless for flour: the merit seems to be all out of it. Just this winter a man came along with a sample of wheat from Churchill neighborhood,—the wheat has been very good this year—and I said, "It is an unusual thing to find wheat so shrunken from your neighborhood; it looks like wheat near the Barberry hedge." He said "There is a Barberry tree growing in the corner of my field." That was satisfactory to me that it was the effect of the Barberry hedge. Yesterday I happened to be in the post office, speaking to Mr. M. J. Hamlin, our postmaster. He said last summer he had a Barberry shrub near the corner of his garden and they had moved out some hydrangeas in pots near the shrub. There was a strong wind blowing from the shrub in the direction of these pots. In a day or two the hydrangeas withered and became completely useless, so that was satisfactory to him that it was the effect of the Barberry hedge and he had it rooted out.

Asked about the wheat affected by the Barberry hedge on the Morton place, Mr. Watson said he had seen wheat fifty-one pounds to the bushel, but he had refused to take it in. It seemed to be fit for nothing but feed.

Hon. Mr. DRYDEN: Have you any idea how far the evil influence of one of these plants would extend?

Mr. WATSON: I am not in the practical part of it; I see the results only.

Hon. Mr. DRYDEN: I am thinking about a law, and I would like information for that reason. The evidence seems to indicate that the influence extends quite a distance.

Mr. GOODFELLOW, (holding up a diagram) said: I think it is about eight years ago that on this field of fifteen acres in the corner of my farm, I had as fine a crop of oats as I ever looked at. A timber man told me I would have eighty bushels to the acre. Then there came an east wind right off this hedge, and I told him "We were going to have no oats this year either." He said, "How do you know?" I said, "Because the wind is coming right off that barberry hedge." Within the next two days they were turned gray and I never threshed a bushel off them. I have traced the track of that barberry rust nearly six miles to the west. I went three miles out and got reports from the threshers showing me it had spread over a great area out there.

Hon. Mr. DRYDEN: For yourself, you could not put any limit.

Mr. GOODFELLOW: No, all the farms west of me were destroyed in the same way.

Hon. Mr. DRYDEN: What value do people put on these hedges?

Mr. GOODFELLOW: The great majority say it is of no value, although some will say they value it. A great many have told me this winter they will take it up this spring and some have already taken it up. Rev. Dr. McLeod was the first one to do so. That is the only gentleman I know who has taken it up. I know of a number who say they are going to take it up this spring.

Mr. LITTLE: What value did Mr. Ratcliffe put on his hedge?

Mr. GOODFELLOW: Mr. Ratcliffe and Mr. Cross came before the town council. The mayor asked Mr. Cross if he would take \$50 for his hedge. That put a value

on it and he has valued it at \$50 ever since. Mr. Ratcliffe valued his at \$500. I got our assessors to put a value on Mr. Ratcliffe's hedge of \$300. (Laughter.)

Mr. DRURY quoted from Professor Panton as follows: "The extreme minuteness of the aecidium spores enables them to be carried long distances in the air so that it is not necessary that the source of the trouble should be close at hand,"

Professor LOCHHEAD said: I think you are all indebted to Mr. Goodfellow for his earnest work in this matter. He has done, probably, more towards ousting rust than most other people I know of. I think he has done good evangelical work. Allow me to make a few remarks along the line of those gentlemen who have already spoken. You will find the popular view of rust described in my last report, this year's Agricultural College report, which I shall ask you to read if you get time. There you will find that the scientific men are in a box just as medical men sometimes are, and the medical profession is an older one than ours. As far as fungus diseases are concerned there are a number of diseases that the medical men cannot combat, and in the same way scientific men are at a loss to know how to combat certain fungus diseases of the farm. Rust is one of them. As far as Ontario is concerned, there is probably no doubt, as far as we can see, that the barberry is the cause of the rust, because I have often myself inoculated the barberry by means of infected spores, and through the barberry again inoculated the ordinary wheat. We did this under conditions which would allow of no importation of rust from without. There has been no doubt ever since the great German DeBarry worked out the life-history of this, and proved beyond dispute that barberry had an important influence—there has been no doubt, I say, about that point; and yet there are places in Ontario where there has been no barberry found and where there is rust, as you know. It may be something like the search at Streetsville last year where the people say they never saw barberry. Yet such a competent man as Mr. Dearness of London, probably one of our best informed men on rust, tells me distinctly he has seen areas of rust where he knew for a certainty there was no barberry within many, many miles.

Hon. Mr. DRYDEN: He is speaking about the same kind of rust, is he?

Prof. LOCHHEAD: Yes. This rust exists in three forms. There is the black rust which attacks chiefly the stems. There is the red rust which appears earlier in the season; it is really the same rust with a different appearance. This is one form of the rust. Then there is the orange rust which appears on the barberry early in the season which starts the red rust. Through the winter, as soon as conditions are ripe, these spores germinate right in the place where they are, and produce other spores which I have called in my report secondary spores, and these are carried away to the barberry by the wind chiefly. Inside of a few days the rust appears on the barberry. Then it is carried away by the wind again to the wheat or oats or barley and produces the red rust. Then the propagation of red rust goes on all summer, and towards the end of the season the black rust appears on the same places as the red, and probably a little more extended. The red, of course, is more to be seen on the leaves.

Mr. REID: Is that the red maturing?

Prof. LOCHHEAD: No, they are a different rust altogether. The fungus does its injury by minute threads through the stem appropriating the juices intended for the plant. In the summer the early part, these threads come to the surface and produce what we call spores. From these same threads, later in the season, come the black spores. There is a second crop and yet very different looking. The red are thin-walled and won't stand the winter; the others are thick-walled to stand it. We have three stages; the barberry rust or the orange rust of the barberry, the red rust and the black rust, and these are all different. I can tell one from the other just as easily as can be.

Mr. BEATTY: Which of these spores throws off the rust poisoning the grain?

Prof. LOCHHEAD : The black has no power to infect a field. Red rust, however, will. That goes on all summer. It happens to light on a fresh plant and inside of fourteen days there will be red spots there. Rust from barberry will also infect the wheat, so that the infection takes place in two ways, both the orange rust of the barberry and the red rust on the wheat, and it is carried over during the summer chiefly by the red rust. The barberry starts them and it goes on and spreads over the field. With regard to the distance which the barberry may spread or may show its influence :—I have never in all the course of my reading come across any decided results on this point. One can easily see a heavy wind may carry them for many miles, and if they once get into a field only one edge of it, for instance, they inoculate this part of it, and all season it goes on continuously, and may sweep over two or three farms or more.

Mr. GOODFELLOW : How long will that take ?

Prof. LOCHHEAD : Two weeks from the time it is first inoculated.

Mr. GOODFELLOW : That is why the oat crop gets it ?

Prof. LOCHHEAD : No, that is a peculiar thing ; it is shown conclusively that wheat rust or rust from the barberry may affect themselves and one another and that it will spread, but the rust from the wheat will not infect the oats.

Mr. BEATTY : I understand you to say it would.

Prof. LOCHHEAD : No ; in a field where it is all wheat or oats it may be affected, but wheat rust will not affect oats.

Mr. HISLOP : They are troubled to a considerable extent in our district by red and black rust, but we have not, so far as we know, the barberry shrub to any extent.

Prof. LOCHHEAD : Each one has a peculiar plant which it will affect, and we cannot distinguish them even with a microscope, yet they stick to their peculiar plants. You see the difficulty we are in. As far as Ontario is concerned, we can show that barberry is the cause, but there are certain districts where we have not found barberry.

Hon. Mr. DRYDEN : I think that is an important point. You are perfectly satisfied the barberry shrub in itself is a cause of damage by rust, and you are satisfied it is liable to travel a good many miles, if you have a fierce wind to carry it. I would like to know as to these two points because if we are to undertake to amend the law, they are very important.

Mr. HISLOP : You would not go so far as to say that if all the barberry shrubs were destroyed we would be exempt from rust ?

Prof. LOCHHEAD : That is the box we are in ; we see in many cases barberry is the cause and by its removal the danger would be lessened.

Mr. HISLOP : The condition of the soil has considerable to do with it. In our country in the low undrained lands rust is more prevalent than in the well drained.

Prof. LOCHHEAD : In North Perth where my home was, I was given a good deal to wandering about collecting plants and I never saw the barberry ; yet the rust is there.

Mr. MONTEITH : There is barberry in both Mitchell and Stratford.

Prof. LOCHHEAD : That is quite a distance from the district of Elma.

Mr. HISLOP : I never ran across anyone who knew there was barberry in my section.

Hon. Mr. DRYDEN : I have been told by Mr. Smith that barberry exists in Whitby. I never knew it.

Prof. LOCHHEAD : Where Professor Zavitz had his old experimental plots he had barberry and for years the results were very bad on some plots. He resolved to cut the hedge down and he did not have rust, although in the last two years rust has come again. In going about Guelph I find two areas in which there is a

good deal of barberry. There is one on Petrie's Hill. The other one towards St. Joseph's Hospital.

Mr. DRURY : It may exist where a person has not had the opportunity of getting any evidence. I have fifty acres of standing timber and barberry growing there just as in partially cleared land.

Prof. LOCHHEAD : The trouble is that very few know of barberry, that is the difficulty we have. In Australia they have no barberry and the rust is bad. In the Western States rust is bad and there is no barberry also. These are the things we have to face. We know barberry will intensify rust; that is undoubted, and as the damage is something enormous through the country I should suggest that you should have no hesitation whatever in demanding somehow, putting on the statute books of the Province, that the barberry be forbidden to be planted, and that it should be extirpated wherever found.

Mr. REID : It would be nothing to lose and a great deal to gain.

Mr. BARBER : Yes, it is not a necessity.

Prof. LOCHHEAD : No, it is not a necessity. I could go into the scientific aspect of the thing but that is not what you want.

Mr. MONTEITH : Climatic conditions are different in Australia?

Prof. LOCHHEAD : Yes ; we are apt to blame conditions for causes. No matter what the kind of weather, we know that moisture and dew or heavy mists are favorable to the propagation of rust, but if the rust was not there before, no matter how much moisture there was, there would be no rust. These are conditions for the propagation of rust. For the real cause you have to go back to the barberry.

Dr. BARR : If there was no moisture there would not be much danger.

Prof. LOCHHEAD : That is it ; the more muggy the atmosphere the more the spore will germinate. In the Streetsville section, they say the smoke of locomotives brought that rust. You may say that might be a condition, not a cause. The low undrained lands are generally where the rust prevails.

Mr. MONTEITH : Would there be a tendency for the spores to settle in the lower fallows?

Prof. LOCHHEAD : I don't think so ; the whole thing there is a lack of proper conditions.

Mr. MONTEITH : A dry year would tend to carry them further than moisture.

Prof. LOCHHEAD : Carleton, the great United States expert on rust, says, "There is yet no preventive for wheat rust, at least so far as combatting it directly."

Hon. Mr. DRYDEN : My mind is running on something which would help to correct this evil. I may say, Mr. Goodfellow practically convinced me when he came down last time of the destructive influence of this barberry shrub. The difficulty is just to know what we can do. I have been thinking it out since and had prepared a draft bill which I have in my hand here and which I will let you see, as I have a few copies on the table. But I observe now my premises were not quite sound. It was supposed that this rust would not travel very far, and therefore we might make a limit. The difficulty, as I understand it now, is in the towns where people are merely interested in the hedge, and not in the growing of wheat, and it is possible they might refuse to take it out, and we have no power under the present law to do so. I thought, therefore, when a hedge was within a certain distance of farming lands they should be required to take it out. I now discover practically there is no use of putting any limit, so that the bill will have to be altered materially in that respect. Then you will observe, to make sure of accomplishing what was desired, I suggest in the bill that on the petition of a number of gentleman interested in farm lands, my department would undertake to destroy it. The party owning it, if he was willing to take it out, would have compensation ; but if he refused to do it, the Department would have

power to compel him to do it without compensation. After the evidence to-day, I have made up my mind there is to be a clause added forbidding the sale of this plant, or forbidding anyone planting it anywhere. There is no doubt that a gentleman who has grounds which he desires to improve in that way can find some other plant to answer the purpose quite as well. We might as well say that in the judgment of the Legislature, we ought not to allow it to be planted because it is a menace to agriculture wherever grown. It appears to me that perhaps that would be the best thing we could do. It is all very well to say it is illegal and improper that a man should have such a plant on his property, but how can you get rid of it? You must have some machinery. I would be glad to have any suggestions from gentlemen here who have to do with that plant.

MR. LITTLE: I think that the Province is largely indebted to Mr. Goodfellow who has very successfully worked up this case. (Hear hear) We are also very much indebted, in my opinion, to Sheriff Drury because it is very seldom, Mr. Chairman, that gentlemen having been chosen by this Province to a very high position such as Sheriff of a large county like Simcoe, pay any attention to we poor agriculturists who are striving to make our bread and butter in this Province. I think the proposed measure will satisfy those who have taken such a deep interest in this, to my mind, very important subject.

MR. DRURY: Supposing, under this proposed bill, the limit is struck out altogether, now that we have evidence that barberry may disseminate rust over an indefinite length of country. For instance, could ten farmers in the County of York petition for the destruction of barberry in the City of Toronto under the proposed enlargement of the scope of the bill, or must those ten persons mentioned as petitioners be residents of the municipality in which the shrub is situated? It would be a matter of judicial decision whether the Minister of Agriculture considered that a barberry growing in the City of Toronto affected the fields in question. If the limit is removed, you may have ten persons in Hollands Landing, the extreme limit of York, petitioning for the destruction of the shrub in Toronto. I am suggesting this simply not to put too much responsibility on the Minister of Agriculture.

HON. MR. DRYDEN: It is all based on the theory of the 500 yards. The clause will have to be re-drafted. My own idea would be that if the Department is to commence action in reference to the destruction of the plant in any particular locality, it should be on petition of someone living in that locality, otherwise the Department would have to take upon itself to dig it out everywhere. I am not afraid of that. I think the other plan would be the best. I think the fact that we have had this important discussion to-day, the fact that it will go into the newspapers, will so arouse people and interest them in it, that if we provide some simple machinery it will assist materially in the destruction of the plant, so that if we see our way clear to put a clause in the bill practically forbidding anyone to plant the shrub any more, everyone will understand the serious danger where the shrub exists.

DR. BARR: No doubt the trouble will be with hedges in the villages and town.

HON. MR. DRYDEN: People in villages and towns must not prevent agriculturists from making wealth. I don't think there is anybody in the cities, towns or villages who will be unwilling to take it up. I am not afraid to tackle that part of it.

MR. BARBER: What about damages?

HON. MR. DRYDEN: This bill provides that the Province shall pay the damages?

MR. BARBER: It should not be left open to any legal difficulties.

MR. DRURY: It might be a matter of legal investigation as to whether it would have effects and lawsuits might result.

HON. MR. DRYDEN: We want to avoid that.

Mr. DRURY : I am sure we are much gratified at the thorough manner in which the Minister seems to be prepared. I personally feared we should not have a sweeping drastic measure.

Mr. BARBER; I think those in the localities where the barberry bush is are ripe for this legislation. Where there is no barberry bush they would suffer nothing because there is nothing to be destroyed. I would make the Act apply to the whole Province.

Hon. Mr. DRYDEN: So far as I can see, this legislation will affect the nurserymen more than anybody else, because they cultivate and sell the barberry. I think we shall have to say to the nurserymen, " You shall not sell it any more."

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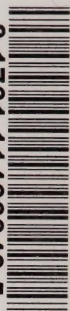
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